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PM's movable assets rise ₹26.13 lakh in one year

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has assets worth ₹2.23 crore according to his latest disclosure

The assets are mostly in bank deposits; the PM no longer has immovable assets as he donated his share in a piece of land in GANDHINAGAR

The PM also doesn't have investment in any bond, share or mutual funds; he does not own any vehicle but has four gold rings valued at ₹1.73 lakh

According to his previous disclosure made last year, he had immovable property assets worth ₹1.1 crore as on March 31, 2021

Modi had ₹35,250 cash in hand as on March 31, 2022; his National Savings Certificates with post office were worth ₹9,05,105 and he had life insurance policies valued ₹1,89,305

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Quits as head of the NDA govt, to take oath as CM of Mahagathbandhan today

NITISH AT HIS STEALTH GAMES AGAIN

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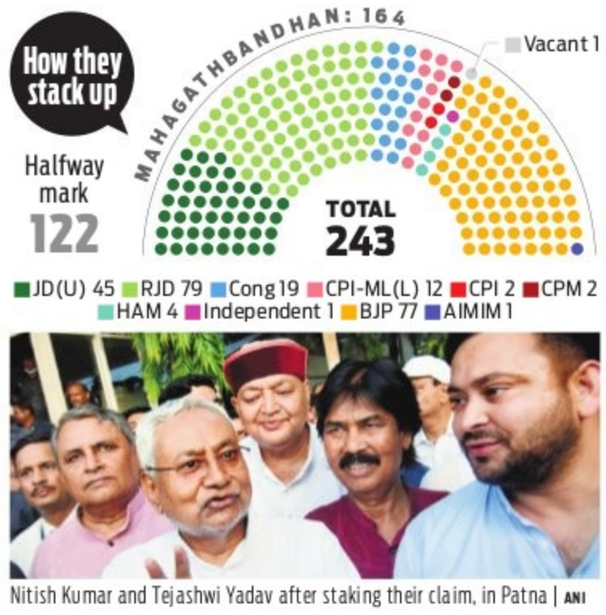
How they stack up
Halfway mark 122
MAHAGATHBANDHAN: 164
Vacant 1
TOTAL 243
JD(U) 45 RJD 79 Cong 19 CPI-ML(L) 12 CPI 2 CPM 2
HAM 4 Independent 1 BJP 77 AIMIM 1

Nitish Kumar and Tejashwi Yadav after staking their claim, in Patna | ANI

SHAHID FARIDI @ New Delhi

NITISH Kumar would be sworn in for the record eighth time as Bihar chief minister at 2 pm on Wednesday with support from a new set of allies — RJD, Congress and the Left — after he decided to snap alliance with the BJP and resign as the head of its coalition government.

During the day, Nitish met Governor Phagu Chauhan twice — first to resign as the JD(U)-BJP CM, and second to stake his claim to form the new government with the support of 164 MLAs belonging to seven parties. Nitish gave a list of supporting MLAs to the Governor, who invited him to form the new government.

After putting in his papers as CM, Nitish drove straight to former chief minister Rabri Devi's house to discuss formation of a new government with her son and RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav. Discussions were also held with leaders of the Congress and Left parties.

The decision to snap the alliance with the BJP was taken at a meeting of JD(U) MPs and MLAs at Patna. Party leaders said Nitish had received reports that the BJP was attempting to break the JD(U) MLAs to form an alternative government minus Nitish. "Our leader Nitish Kumar has nipped the BJP's 'Operation Kamal' in the bud. It was the CM's alacrity that prevented the BJP from seizing power by breaking the JD(U) legislature party," said a senior JD(U) leader.

On Monday, JD(U) president Rajiv Ranjan Singh alluded to a fresh BJP attempt to split the JD(U) through former Union minister R C P Singh.

Bihar BJP president Sanjay Jaiswal accused Nitish of betraying the 2020 mandate, and claimed that he will be "punished by the people of Bihar". Nitish's move was a reversal of his flip in 2017 when he left the Mahagathbandhan to rejoin the NDA. He had earlier deserted the NDA in 2013 after Narendra Modi was declared the prime ministerial candidate. This is the second time Nitish has left the BJP out in the cold in the last nine years.

The Bihar upheaval would have a big impact on the next Lok Sabha polls. CPI-ML(L) leader Dipankar Bhattacharya said with the new alignment in Bihar, the state, which sends 40 MPs to the Lok Sabha, would be the main battleground in the 2024 general elections. The BJP-JD(U) alliance had won 39 of them in the 2019 elections.

Bhattacharya said the BJP always had a dim view of its allies, quoting party president J P Nadda's recent statement that "regional parties have no future". Tejashwi said history shows that the BJP has destroyed all its allies. P8

It was decided at the party meeting that we quit the NDA. I have, therefore, resigned as the NDA's chief minister
Nitish Kumar, JD(U)

The BJP is getting a taste of their own medicine after what they did in Maharashtra
Sitaram Yechury, CPM

It is a lie that the BJP is trying to split the JD(U). Nitish was looking for an excuse to break ties
Sushil Modi, BJP

18 MINISTERS SWORN IN, ALL-MEN MAHA CABINET STRENGTH AT 20 P8

END GAME

Armenia, Uzbekistan, and India B on the podium at the Chess Olympiad closing ceremony at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Chennai on Tuesday. Chief Minister M K Stalin and FIDE chief Arkady Dvorkovich are also seen | R SATISH BABU

Bronze edge for India

India B settled for a bronze in Open category while India 'A' women's team finished third at the Chess Olympiad

India 'B' beat Germany 3-1 in their final round match

The women's A team lost to the US in the last round. They were with the US and Kazakhstan in overall score. The home team won through a tie-breaker

Uzbekistan won gold in Open while war-torn Ukraine were champions in the women's section | P11

D Gukesh is best performer in 1st board followed by N Abdusattorov, M Carlsen

Blow to privacy as airlines told to share int'l passengers' info

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

IN a move that flies in the face of privacy rights, the Centre has brought in a law that mandates airlines to share the details of incoming and outgoing international passengers with the Customs department 24 hours before departure. Airlines will now have to share personal details of international passengers including name, age, phone number, email address, travel itinerary as well and as sensitive information such as the credit card number used to book the ticket, frequent flyer details etc.

The finance ministry on Monday notified the Passenger Name Record (PNR) Information Regulation, 2022 seeking to curb cross-border economic crimes by preventing offenders from fleeing the country. With this, India joined 60 other countries that collect PNR details of international passengers.

Under the new regulation, aircraft operators will have to transfer the PNR details to the Customs department in a specified format. The data thus shared will be used for "the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of offences under the Customs Act", the finance ministry said. The information may also be shared with other departments including law enforcement agencies in India and abroad.

The new regulations will help the government curb cross-border crimes, said Tanushree Roy, director (indirect tax) at Nangia Andersen India. "The Regulations will also help keep a track record of every passenger travelling to and from India," she added.

Abhishek Jain, partner (indirect tax) at KPMG in India, said the government should ensure that strict privacy guidelines are followed so as to prevent unauthorised usage.

EU court eases rules over privacy concerns

Airlines in EU are supposed to share PNR data with member countries. However, a recent court order relaxed the rules citing privacy concerns

EXPRESS READ

Class 2 girl washed away in stream, govt apathy blamed

UDUPI: Government apathy is being blamed for the disappearance of a Class 2 girl, Sannidhi, who was washed away in a stream while crossing a footbridge at Beemakki village in Udupi district. Despite the government sanctioning Rs 11 lakh for the construction of the footbridge eight months ago, the work has not yet started | P5

2 rescued moments before their car is swept away in water

CHIKKAMAGALURU: Two people, who were trapped inside a car, were miraculously rescued by some youngsters in the nick of time at a village near Sakharayapatna in Chikkamagaluru district on Tuesday. The two were pulled out moments before their car was swept away in an overflowing stream | P5

85% of Indian kids cyber-bullied, says report

BENGALURU: A report by cybersecurity firm McAfee shows that 85 per cent of Indian children are victims of cyber-bullying, which is the highest in the world. Indian children reported cyber-bullying up to 1.5 times more than children abroad, across 14 surveyed platforms, ranging from Facebook and Instagram to Snapchat and WhatsApp | P2

NATIONWIDE	AUG 8	AUG 9
Fresh cases	16,167	12,751
Recoveries	15,549	16,412
Deaths	41	42

KARNATAKA	AUG 8	AUG 8
Fresh cases	1,019	1,608
Recoveries	1,662	2,068
Deaths	3	2

SCAN TO KNOW MORE

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• **Wednesday:** 10/08/2022 • **Year:** Shubhakruta • **Ayana:** Dakshinayana
• **Ritu:** Varsha • **Masa:** Shravana • **Paksha:** Shukla • **Tithi:** Thrayodasi 12.14 pm
• **Nakshatra:** Purvashada 8.16 am • Moon in Makara Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm
• **Gulikakala:** 10:30 am to 12:00 pm • **Yamaganda:** 07:30 am to 09:00 am

WEATHER
MIN 20°C | MAX 26°C
FORECAST
Light showers. Overcast

Sunrise	6.06 am
Sunset	6.43 pm
Moonrise	5.24 pm
Moonset	3.56 am

Works on augmenting terminal facilities under way at Cantonment railway stn

More suburban services from Cantt stn under Gati Shakti

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

NEARLY three months after the announcement that Bengaluru division will be among the four railway divisions in the country to be brought under the Prime Minister's Gati Shakti initiative, Mysuru and Hubballi divisions of the South Western Railway (SWR) Zone too have been brought under it. The objective behind Gati Shakti is to fast-track crucial railway projects.

SWR General Manager Sanjeev Kishore said, "The move was finalised last week. This is in line with the Railway Board's mandate to set up Gati Shatkti units across all divisions. A Chief Project Manager, who will report to the Divisional Railway Manager on selected projects, will be appointed. They will be tightly integrated with the operations," he said.

Asked about the status of the projects already brought under the Gati Shakti unit in Bengaluru, Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) Shyam Singh said remodelling of KSR Bengaluru yard and augmentation of terminal facilities at Bengaluru Cantonment are under the ambit of Gati Shakti presently.

"The completion of works at Bengaluru Cantonment will facilitate running of more suburban services towards Whitefield. It will be ready by March 2023," the DRM said.

Elaborating on the works carried out there, he said, "At Bengaluru Cantonment, two island platforms are being built. A Foot Over Bridge will also be built while an existing FOB near Bengaluru East station will be demolished. Nearly 50 per cent of the work has been completed so far," he said.

Yard works at KSR Bengaluru too was progressing well, the DRM added.

TIME TO TAKE STOCK

Report: 85% Indian kids victims of cyber-bullying

McAfee says more than 1 in 3 kids face abuse at 10 yrs of age

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

A shocking 85 per cent of Indian children are victims of cyber-bullying, the highest in the world, according to a report released by McAfee recently. The report observed that 45 per cent of these children were bullied by strangers and 48 per cent by people known to them.

"Cyber-bullying in India reaches alarming highs as more than one in three kids face cyber racism, sexual harassment and threats of physical harm as early as at the age of 10 - making India the number one nation for reported cyber-bullying in the world," said Gagan Singh, Chief Product Officer, McAfee.

Indian children reported cyber-bullying up to 1.5 times more than children in other countries across 14 surveyed platforms, ranging from Facebook and Instagram to Snapchat and WhatsApp. The one exception is TikTok, which remains banned in India.

Experts say that more people are facing cyber-bullying due to the anonymity the internet provides to its users which results in vistimcs of bullying feeling anxious, depressed, isolated and fearful. Trolling, personal attacks, sexual harassment and doxing are the most common cyber-bullying tactics.

The number of users have risen due to the pandemic. Without appropriate know-how and online etiquette, people take to internet and tend to misuse the anonymity that the platform offers without taking any responsibility, explained Nirali Bhatia, a cyber psychologist.

Echoing Nirali's views, a cyber-security analyst said that people often get swayed online. There have to be ways to sensitise people to use the platform wisely and to stay secure. Despite the safety provisions in place, lack of awareness leads to such incidents many times.

"There should always be zero trust on the internet, no matter who you speak to, always verify and do not trust anyone blindly", explained Nirali. She added that every activity of the user on the internet becomes a part of their digital footprint. The users must learn the rules and code of conduct. Also, people should stand up against online harassment and not stay silent as it gives the offender more courage to continue harassing others on the web.

EXPRESS READ

NEET CAUSING INJUSTICE TO STUDENTS OF SOUTH INDIA, SAYS MOILY

Bengaluru: Former Chief Minister Veerappa Moily has written to Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, objecting to the schedule of distribution of COMED-K quota seats of professional courses much before the CET counselling by the Karnataka Examination Authority. He has urged Bommai to stop this and ensure that CET counselling of KEA is held first. Moily stated that those who avail a seat from the same college via CET counselling will have to pay Rs 37,000, but if the same seat is availed through COMED-K, they have to pay Rs 1.58 lakh. Moily has also alleged that the NEET system is causing injustice to students of South India, especially children of farmers. He has urged the CM to reinstate the previous method of CET seat allocation, introduced by him in 1992-93 when he was the Chief Minister, where in 50 per cent of the academic marks and 50 per cent of marks scored in CET were considered for seat allocation, and wherein there was a single window system of seat allocation for both private and government seats. **ENS**

DAY OF MOURNING

Shia Muslims take part in a procession on the 10th day of Muharram, near Johnson Market in Bengaluru on Tuesday JSHRIRAM BN

Idgah: Cops hold meet with Hindu groups

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AS tension mounts over the contentious Idgah Maidan issue ahead of the Independence Day, the West Division police convened a peace meeting with several Hindu organisations in Bengaluru on Tuesday. The meeting comes in the wake of local Congress MLA B Z Zameer Ahmed Khan saying that Ganesha pandal will not be allowed at the ground.

DCP (West) Laxman Nimbargi told TNIE that leaders of Hindu outfits were inivted to attend the meeting on Tuesday and the Muslim community leaders will be called on Thursday. "Members of both communities will be asked not to disturb peace on August 15. The leaders will be told to respect the law of the land," the DCP said.

Vishwa Sanathan Parishad chief S Bhaskaran, members of Srirama Sene and representatives of Chamarajpet Nagarikara Vakoota attended the meeting chaired by jurisdictional ACP and Chamrajpet police inspector at Chamarajpet police station on Tuesday evening.

Recently, BBMP Joint Commissioner (West), S N Srinivasa, had told that the land belongs to the Revenue Department and quashed its earlier order asking the Wakf Board to apply for khatha for 2.5 acres of land. He had also contended that the BBMP was prevented from entering the land from 1955 by Munsif Court, and both High Court and Supreme Court ruled in the Wakf Board's favour. Subsequently, a gazette notification was issued recognising the land as Wakf Board's property. The Wakf Board, however, had failed to apply for khatha within the stipulated time.

After the order, Hindu outfits had intensified their demand on holding other religious festivals.

FIR LODGED AGAINST HINDU OUTFIT CHIEF FOR HATE SPEECH

Bengaluru: The Chamrajpet police have booked Vishwa Sanatana Parishat president Bhaskaran S for allegedly promoting enmity between different groups on grounds of religion and outraging religious feelings. In connection with the ongoing controversy regarding the Idgah grounds in Chamrajpet, Bhaskaran had allegedly given a statement to the media on Monday that the Waqf Board should vacate the premises or else thousands of members of Hindu organisations will demolish the Idgah tower on December 6, the day the Babri masjid was demolished. Taking his statement seriously, the police have taken up a suo motu case and registered an FIR against him on Tuesday. The police have invoked IPC sections 153A (promoting enmity between different groups on grounds of religion, race, place of birth, residence) and 295A (deliberate and malicious acts, intended to outrage religious feelings of any class by insulting its religion or religious beliefs) against Bhaskaran. **ENS**

MUSLIM BODY APPEALS TO COMMUNITY TO HOIST TRICOLOUR

MOHAMMED YACOOB @Bengaluru

THE head of the highest-decision making body for Muslims in Karnataka, Ameer-e-Shariat, has asked all imams to appeal to the community to take part in the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' initiative which is being celebrated across the country from August 11 to 17 to mark 75 years of India's Independence.

In a circular to all masjids, Ameer-e-Shariat, Karnataka, Sagir Ahmed Khan Rashadi pointed out that people from the community took part in India's freedom struggle and many sacrificed their lives. "Hence, as a mark of respect to those freedom fighters and for the love of the country, every Muslim should feel proud about the 75th year of Indian Independence and should fly the Tricolour on their houses as part of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'," he said.

The Chief Imam of City Market Masjid, said, "The circular is very clear. All should celebrate Independence Day. There are no restrictions on the Har Ghar Tiranga event and even madrasas will ensure that the Tricolour is hoisted."

BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath has welcomed the move and said the civic body will reach out to all institutions under its purview. "The matter of hoisting the national flag in madrasas comes under the Directorate of Minorities. Since it is a moment of pride, everyone will take part," he said.

A senior BBMP official said all religious heads of different communities were also communicated about the importance of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav and Har Ghar Tiranga campaigns.

Meanwhile, the BBMP has directed its Assistant Revenue Officers, Ward Engineers and other officials to meet the target of selling 10 lakh flags to mark the event. The Palike stated that it wants to ensure that most houses take part in the campaign.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

10TH August: I spoke yesterday about this week's planetary patterns. These are not of the kind which grab headlines, but in past times we would have found kings renewing their coronation vows and priests rededicating shrines, all the better to maintain the harmony between heaven and earth. I think that, when we abandon such rituals, we lose something vital in our lives.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
There's only one conclusion to be drawn from Mercury's curious series of celestial connections: you're on peak form creatively. But where's your wicked sense of humour? This is still a prosperous period, by the way, in spite of appearances to the contrary.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Your midweek stars favour lively developments at home. If you're stuck in a rut, or otherwise bored by routine, try a little lateral thinking. With the right attitude you'll be able to cut through the mass of emotional dross that's holding you back.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Loved ones could have problems they simply cannot discuss, so you may have to understand that someone must be left in peace. It would be worth your while seeking the company of people who support your ideas. You see, someone, somewhere, has the advice you need, but you won't know who unless you search them out.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You should not be at all surprised if loved ones are acting out of character. The fact is that many people just don't know what they want and it's quite natural that they should lead you a merry old dance. Mind you, I am quite sure that you can give as good as you get.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
It looks as though one particular arrangement may have to be terminated before very much longer. As yet, you may not be sure what is going on. Indeed, it may be next week before you have all the answers. All you need to know now is that partners are likely to agree to one thing, one day, another, the next.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You're a fan of justice and you love to do the right thing. What is said or done now may seem terribly unfair. However, please try to understand that, while the planets are inclining you to be rather self-pitying, they are also challenging you to rise above such petty feelings.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
A long-standing relationship is set to receive an important boost. It seems increasingly likely that someone with prestige and status in the community will be entering your life before long. You may even receive an offer which will transform your personal affairs.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Major alterations at work are liable to result from differences of opinion. In a sense it's not the actual situation that matters, but disagreements about what should be done next. Take your time. After all, nobody has any right to pressurise you until you're ready.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
I know it's an old cliché, but there is a difference between the law and justice. You may be a little too hung up on the former, whereas what is really needed is the flexibility and compassion of the latter. Perhaps that's why you're not yet ready to make up your mind.

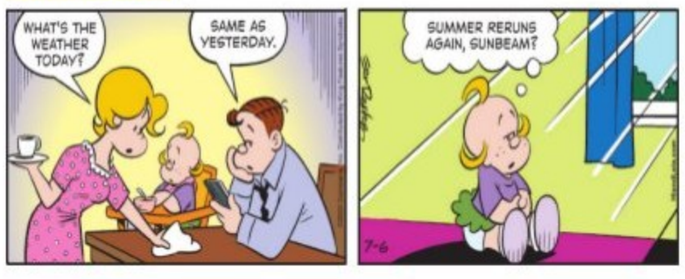
CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Current planetary activity denotes a period of intellectual curiosity. It's therefore almost inevitable that you will question a number of established assumptions. You must allow partners to have their say, otherwise they'll harbour a grudge until next month.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Your wonderfully mischievous sense of humour should be well to the fore over the coming few days. It's often the most serious people, such as you, who are best able to see the funny side of things. And after all that has happened recently, you just have to laugh.

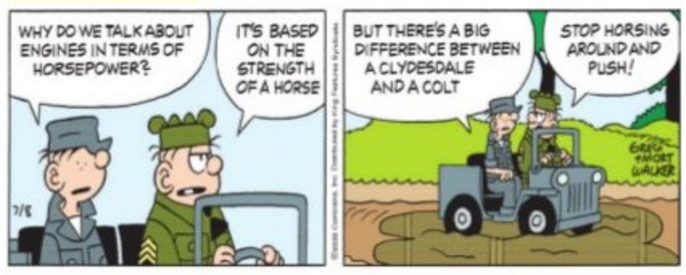
PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
You will derive long-term benefits from a proposed upheaval, but it seems that there will be little actual change just yet. You are advised to lay the ground carefully before rushing ahead. And, in love, you'll keep partners fully informed of all your feelings.

THE PHANTOM

HI AND LOIS



BEETLE BAILEY


WHY DO WE TALK ABOUT ENGINES IN TERMS OF HORSEPOWER?
IT'S BASED ON THE STRENGTH OF A HORSE
BUT THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A CLYDESDALE AND A COLT
STOP HORSING AROUND AND PUSH!

BLONDIE

DO YOU REMEMBER THE DAY YOU FIRST TOLD ME THAT YOU LOVED ME?
OF COURSE! IT WAS SEPTEMBER 8TH!
ACTUALLY, THAT WAS THE DAY YOU FIRST TOLD ME YOU LOVED MY POT ROAST

LOCKHORNS

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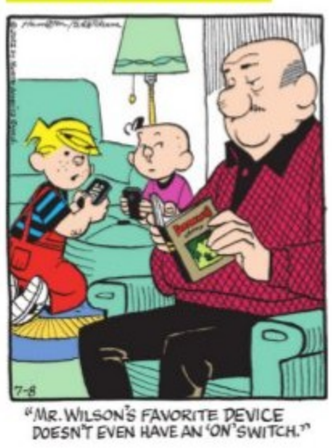

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Hard: Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.

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		2	4	8	5			
4								5
		6					1	
	5			4			7	
	8					5		
3								2
			2	6	1	7		
6					3	9	4	

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

9	5	6	8	3	1	4	2	7
4	3	2	5	7	9	6	8	1
1	8	7	6	4	2	5	3	9
3	4	9	7	2	6	8	1	5
2	7	5	9	1	8	3	6	4
8	6	1	4	5	3	7	9	2
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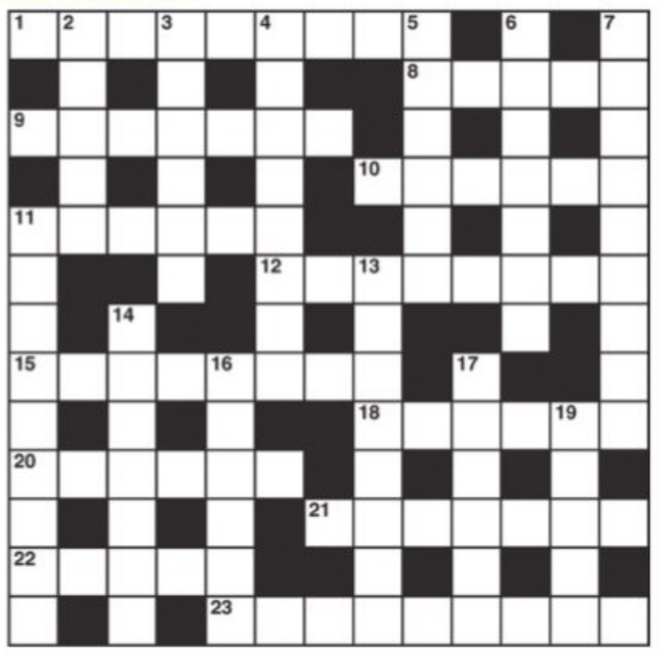

ACROSS
1 Break a record in flavour (9)
8 Unable to sleep because of an all-night feast (5)
9 The majority need time for treatment (7)
10 Disapproval expressed about a doctor is growing (6)
11 No big shot in the gunnery world (6)
12 Put into liquidation? (8)
15 A product of good stock (8)
18 Wagnerian heroine that is about to be disposed of (6)
20 Something you won't come across very often (6)
21 Watch. No hands (7)
22 Bird with half of each leg broken (5)
23 Their guns are out of order - you can bet on it (4,5)

DOWN
2 Zero speed so to speak (5)
3 The very thing is left out (6)
4 Not a positive denial (8)
5 Plunder a grave perhaps (6)
6 Beat a medical man in the finish (7)
7 Little known but giving one credit (9)
11 Potential danger by the barrelful (6,3)
13 It may be taken to promote good feeling (8)
14 Mean to insist being on time (7)
16 Ill-suited for work (6)
17 The language of the finishing school? (6)
19 Attracted to being taken out (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Accedes, 4 Tunic, 7 Omit, 8 Plymouth, 10 Local taxes, 12 Radish, 13 Sloops, 15 Leading man, 18 Receipts, 19 Knot, 20 Demon, 21 Delayed.

Down: 1 Atoll, 2 Coincide, 3 Salaam, 4 Timberline, 5 Noun, 6 Cohorts, 9 Glaswegian, 11 Commonly, 12 Retired, 14 Edited, 16 Noted, 17 Scum.

JUMBLE By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

PTZOA

NIHYS

UISNFE

CLOTEK

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon

ANSWERS TOMORROW

YESTERDAY'S **Jumbles:** SPOIL AMUSE CUDDLE DRIVEL
ANSWER: The tug-of-war was going well until he – PULLED A MUSCLE

DURATION OF PANDEMIC	CASES REPORTED	DEATHS	DISCHARGES
2 YEARS, 154 DAYS	■ 1,608 ◄ 1,019	■ 2 | ◄ 3	■ 2,068 | ◄ 1,662
		POSITIVITY RATE	MORTALITY RATE
		■ 5.90% | ◄ 5.90%	■ 0.99% | ◄ 0.99%
	TALLY	ACTIVE CASES	RECOVERY RATE
■ TODAY	■ 40,22,714	■ 10,790	■ 98.73%
◄ YESTERDAY	◄ 40,21,106	◄ 11,252	◄ 98.72%

B'Urban: 1,098	C'nagara: 27	Dharwada: 40	Kolara: 6	Shivamogga: 43
B'Rural: 6	Chikkaballapura: 6	Gadag: 6	Koppala: 19	Tumakuru: 28
Bagalakote: 18	Chikkamagaluru: 13	Hassana: 24	Mandya: 15	Udupi: 4
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Arthritis striking early, children becoming victims

Viral infections, bad lifestyle cited as causes

SHILPA P @ Bengaluru

DOCTORS are witnessing early onset of arthritis or rheumatoid arthritis or juvenile idiopathic arthritis (JIA) among children, even among kids as young as six months to 16-year-olds. If not treated on time, it might affect bone development among growing children, who could develop deformity that might need surgical correction, they warned.

> JIA affects toddlers, who are too young to explain what is troubling them
>
> Dr Sagar Bhattad

The steady rise in JIA is attributed to increased immune-mediated disorders, viral infections, sedentary lifestyle and unhealthy eating habits. Also, better diagnostics has led to detection of more cases, said Dr Mohan K Puttaswamy, consultant-reconstructive orthopaedics & joint replacement surgery, Fortis Hospital.

Dr Rajeev Ghat, consultant orthopaedic surgeon, Apollo Clinic, HSR Layout, said children with rheumatoid arthritis often complain of pain and swelling in one or more joints. "Pain and stiffness in the morning hours are worse. Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis is now called as JIA and in this, apart from joints, other systems like eye and gastrointestinal tract can be involved. JIA occurs when the body's immune system attacks its own cells and tissues (autoimmune). It is genetic and it is believed that both heredity and environmental factors play a role in most of the patients," he added.

"JIA affects toddlers, who are too young to explain what is troubling them. Also it is more commonly seen in girls as autoimmune diseases are more common among adolescent females and young women, possibly related to hormonal influence (estrogen)," added Dr Sagar Bhattad, Consultant – Paediatric Immunology and Rheumatology, Aster CMI Hospital.

"Depression worsens JIA," said Dr Mohan. Besides treatment for pain, swelling and the destruction of joints, patients should maintain movement and strength. Children should practice meditation and distraction techniques, including music and reading, to divert attention from pain. To reduce the risk of arthritis, children must develop healthy habits in their daily routines and include vitamins and mineral-rich foods, including fresh fruits and vegetables, fish liver oil.

ATHLETES SUPREME

Athletes Avinash Sable, Eldhose Paul and Abdulla Aboobacker receive a rousing welcome at SAI in Bengaluru on Tuesday. Paul bagged a gold medal and Aboobacker a silver medal in the triple jump, while Sable won the gold in the 3,000m steeplechase, at the Commonwealth Games 2022 held in Birmingham in the UK | VINOD KUMAR T

ASKED TO CLEAN VOMIT, DRUNK MAN, FRIENDS ATTACK BIZMAN

PRAVEEN KUMAR @ Bengaluru

A 38-year-old businessman was brutally attacked after he forced a drunk man to clean up, after the latter had puked in front of his residence in Uttarahalli on Saturday night.

The victim has been identified as Riyaz Pasha, a resident of Uttarahalli in Kaggalipura, on the Kanakapura Main Road. The accused, who was under the influence of alcohol, started vomiting right at the front gate of Pasha's house. When Pasha forced him to clean the mess, three companions of the accused who were sitting in an auto-rickshaw nearby, pulled out a wooden plank and attacked him. The victim, after being treated for his injuries, filed a police complaint on Sunday.

Reportedly, Pasha found the accused vomiting in front of his house as he returned home from his shop on Saturday at around 10.30 pm. The four accused were sitting in the auto. One of them got down from the auto and started puking at the entrance of the residence. When Riyaz shouted at the unidentified man, the other three who were in the auto rushed towards Pasha and attacked him. The victim has sustained deep cuts on his head and body. The accused even threatened to allegedly kill him.

"A few locals managed to identify the accused as Ravi, Chetan, Abhi and Bhanu, all residents of Byatarayanadoddi. They escaped in the auto. The case is under investigation," said an officer.

A case of causing hurt, along with other sections of the IPC, have been registered against the four.

Threats over film: Producer files plaint against actor Darshan

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

A Kannada film producer has filed a complaint against actor **Darshan** and another movie star, accusing them of threatening him. The producer, Bharath Vishnukanth, has alleged that he had started a movie casting one Dhruvan, but had to stall the project owing to financial problems.

Darshan, who contacted Vishnukanth over the phone, allegedly threatened him with dire consequences if he failed to complete the movie. The Kengeri police registered a non-cognisable report (NCR) on Friday. The complainant had started the movie 'Bhagawan Sri Krishna Paramathma' starring Dhruvan.

In an audio clip which allegedly contains Darshan's voice, the superstar can be heard threatening Vishnukanth to complete the movie or face the consequences. Darshan further allegedly tells the complainant that he should have thought about everything before beginning a movie, as Dhruvan's career is at stake. The producer in the audio is heard saying that he would start making the movie after the lockdown.

Additional Commissioner of Police (West) Sandeep Patil told reporters that an NCR has been registered and the complainant has stated that the audio is almost a year old.

When asked if a notice would be served on Darshan, the officer stated that all required procedures would be followed as part of the investigation.

Vishnukanth, a resident of Kengeri Upanagara, claims that he has more evidence to prove that he was threatened by Darshan and Dhruvan.

"Since it is an audio clip, it could be claimed that it has been tampered with by somebody mimicking Darshan's voice. I also have video proof in which Darshan and Dhruvan, along with a reputed director and a producer are present. The video was recorded on the film set of the movie 'Kranthi' in which Darshan is the hero. The video was recorded when I was called to meet them to give away the movie rights to them as a settlement. No settlement has been reached so far. I am following my advocate's instructions. If the matter escalates, the same video proof would be submitted to the court," he added.

The Kengeri police are investigating the case.

Consumer panel tells 3 cos to pay Hosmat for defective bone freezer

YATHIRAJU @ Bengaluru

HOLDING that goods or machines purchased for commercial purposes have to be replaced or compensated if they are found to be defective during the warranty period as the purchaser becomes a consumer, the Consumer Commission directed three companies to refund the money and pay compensation to Hosmat Hospital for allegedly supplying a defective bone freezer a decade ago.

The Bangalore Urban Second Additional District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission directed the firms -- Chilltech Engineers, Freezers India and Rattan Sale Corporation – jointly to refund Rs 2.70 lakh with 10 per cent interest, pay Rs 50,000 compensation and Rs 10,000 litigation expenses to the hospital.

The Commission comprising president M Shobha, members B Devaraju and V Anuradha stated the firms and their technicians have not resolved the defects in spite of requests made by the complainant since 2011. The complainant has established the deficiency of service and also the unfair trade practice by the firms in selling the defective freezer, it added.

The firms contended that the freezer is good and maintained the temperature more than required as acknowledged by the hospital after installation on August 17, 2010. The service was given as required during the warranty period, but the complainant has not maintained the unit to keep the temperature as per parameters, they said. The commission, however, said the company technicians accepted lack of maintenance of lower temperature after examining the freezer and also informed the complainant that the freezer could not be repaired. The freezer has not been working since August 7, 2012, and the firms not taken any steps to repair or refund.

KMF employees can be tried under corruption Act, says High Court

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REITERATING that employees of Karnataka Milk Federation (KMF) are also public servants and come under the Prevention of Corruption Act, the Karnataka High Court dismissed a petition filed by V Krishna Reddy, Managing Director of Nandini Milk Products, a unit of KMF, challenging a case filed by the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) charging him with amassing wealth beyond his known sources of income.

The ACB had registered a case against Reddy when he was General Manager of Nandini Milk Products, on November 23, 2021 for offences punishable under Section 13(1)(b) read with 13(2) of the Act. His house and property were searched and investigation is in progress.

Meanwhile, Reddy moved the court on the ground that employees of KMF are not public servants as defined under the Act and the crime registered by the ACB is beyond its jurisdiction.

CRIME PATROL

Woman killed, 4 injured as car rams truck

BENGALURU: A 20-year-old woman was killed on the spot, while four others sustained injuries, after the car they were travelling in met with an accident in KS Layout traffic police limits early on Tuesday. The car driver, who was reportedly over-speeding, lost control of the vehicle, which struck a container truck from behind near the NICE bridge on Kanakapura Road at 1 am. The victim, along with three others, had gone to Mandya for a function. The driver, who had purchased the car around 20 days ago, was coming to Bengaluru to leave it at a showroom for its first service. He is a relative of the victim. The woman and her family requested him to drop them to Bengaluru. The victim has been identified as Sushmitha, a resident of Mangammanapalya in Bommanahalli. The injured are Bharath, the car owner; Jayamma (60), Sarasamma (37), and Yashwanth (14).

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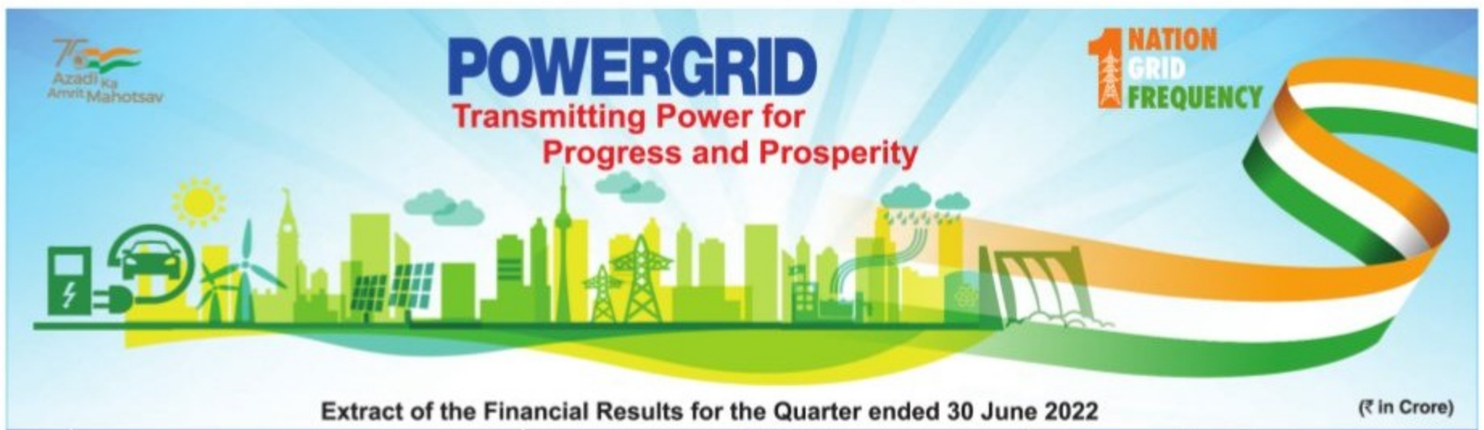

Extract of the Financial Results for the Quarter ended 30 June 2022 (₹ in Crore)

S.No.	Particulars	Standalone			Consolidated		
		Quarter ended		Year ended	Quarter ended		Year ended
		30.06.2022 (Un-audited)	30.06.2021 (Un-audited)	31.03.2022 (Audited)	30.06.2022 (Un-audited)	30.06.2021 (Un-audited)	31.03.2022 (Audited)
1	Total Income from Operations	11,016.88	10,285.38	42,335.87	11,168.54	10,391.61	42,697.90
2	Net Profit before Exceptional Items and Tax (including Regulatory Deferral Account Balances (net of tax))	4,268.15	4,274.86	16,045.31	4,331.26	4,378.01	16,289.31
3	Net Profit before Tax (after exceptional items)(including Regulatory Deferral Account Balances (net of tax))	4,268.15	7,444.44	19,804.82	4,331.26	7,391.98	19,609.64
4	Net Profit after Tax for the period	3,765.86	6,085.41	17,093.76	3,801.19	5,998.28	16,824.07
5	Total Comprehensive Income comprising net Profit after Tax and Other Comprehensive Income	3,701.14	6,291.14	17,384.69	3,736.54	6,204.02	17,115.21
6	Paid up Equity Share Capital (Face value of share : ₹10/- each)	6,975.45	5,231.59	6,975.45	6,975.45	5,231.59	6,975.45
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Balance sheet	72,877.26	70,638.39	69,176.12	73,008.22	70,907.25	69,271.68
8	Securities Premium Account	7,834.43	9,578.29	7,834.43	7,834.43	9,578.29	7,834.43
9	Net worth	79,852.71	75,869.98	76,151.57	79,983.67	76,138.84	76,247.13
10	Total Borrowings	133,023.80	140,221.36	134,665.27	133,023.80	140,221.36	134,665.27
11	Debt Equity Ratio	1.67	1.85	1.77	1.66	1.84	1.77
12	Earnings per equity share including movement in Regulatory Deferral Account Balances (Face value of ₹10/- each): Basic and Diluted (in ₹)	5.40	8.72	24.51	5.45	8.60	24.12
13	Earnings per equity share excluding movement in Regulatory Deferral Account Balances (Face value of ₹10/- each): Basic and Diluted (in ₹)	5.28	7.98	25.25	5.34	7.86	24.88
14	Bonds Redemption Reserve	5,185.30	7,032.35	5,532.80	5,185.30	7,032.35	5,532.80
15	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	1.96	2.24	1.61	1.99	2.19	1.61
16	Interest Service Coverage Ratio	4.69	4.99	4.61	4.80	5.14	4.70

Notes : 1.The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly Consolidated and Standalone Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulations 33 and 52 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly Consolidated and Standalone Financial Results is available on the Investor Relations section of our website https://www.powergrid.in and under Corporates Section of BSE Limited & National Stock Exchange of India Limited at https://www.bseindia.com and https://www.nseindia.com respectively.
2. Previous periods figures have been regrouped/rearranged wherever considered necessary.

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Chairman & Managing Director

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1 MORE ARRESTED IN NETTARU MURDER CASE

The Dakshina Kannada police on Tuesday arrested one more person for the murder of BJP worker Praveen Nettaru. SP Rishikesh Sonawane said Abdul Kabeer CA (33), a resident of Jattipalla in Sullia town, is arrested. He is suspected to be involved in the planning of Praveen's murder.

No change in CM: BJP hits back at Congress

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

SLAMMING Congress for speculating about a leadership change in Karnataka, cabinet colleagues of Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, especially Revenue Minister **R Ashoka**, clarified that Bommai will continue as chief minister and the 2023 Assembly polls will be fought under his leadership.

Ashoka said Union Home Minister Amit Shah too appreciated Bommai's leadership. "There is no question of change in the chief minister's post. Even after the elections, Bommai, a simple man, will be the chief minister," he said.

"A disillusioned Congress is spreading such rumours. Congress' tweet that Karnataka will have a third chief minister is ridiculous. The leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Amit Shah will corner the Congress forever," he said.

Earlier in the day, the Congress had tagged a news clip of minister Umesh Katti claiming that "he too is in the race for CM", and tweeted that Karnataka will have its third chief minister under the present BJP government. "After Amit Shah's visit clouds shrouded the BJP!" the KPCC tweeted.

Soon after, Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar reacted, tweeting, "Its (Congress) high command had changed the chief ministers such as Veerendra Patil just like changing the shirts."

"During the Congress rule, CM meant Chit Minister instead of Chief Minister. Should we give an account of Chief Ministers being changed by Congress on the basis of chits sent by Delhi postmen," he added.

In a series of tweets, Sudhakar defended Bommai's leadership, dubbing the Congress' speculation on changing the Chief Minister as a dream.

"The BJP government is stable under the efficient leadership of Bommai. Soon it will be known as who will get off the double door bus of the Congress party," he added.

Meanwhile, BJP state president Nalin Kumar Kateel slammed Congress' tweet which said that Bommai would soon be replaced.

In a video statement, Kateel said Bommai will continue as CM for the full term and alleged that the Congress is making such statements in order to hide ED action on AICC chief Sonia Gandhi and tussle over the CM candidate in the Grand Old Party. He said that the BJP will fight the next election under the leadership of Bommai and guidance of former CM BS Yediyurappa.

Govenor Thaawarchand Gehlot felicitates freedom fighter R Narayanappa at the latter's residence in Bengaluru on Tuesday | EXPRESS

Governor honours freedom fighters at their homes

Gesture part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav

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@ Bengaluru

ON the 80th anniversary of Quit India Movement and 75th anniversary of India's Independence -- Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav – Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot visited the homes of three freedom fighters in Bengaluru and honoured them on Tuesday.

The Governor first went to the house of R Narayanappa, residing at JP Nagar, and honoured him with a memento. Next, Sankaranarayan Rao was honoured at his house in Banashankari.

The Governor also felicitated 101-year-old Nagabhushan Rao at his house in Malleswaram. Nagabhushan turned nostalgic and recalled anecdotes from his freedom struggle days. He said he was part of the non-cooperative movement against the British Raj and dug roads, cut telephone wires, took away postboxes and encouraged people to join the freedom movement.

He was jailed twice -- once in 1942 and lodged at the Shimoga prison and the next time in 1945 and was imprisoned at the Bangalore Jail.

The freedom fighters and their families were happy with the Governor's gesture as it was the first time that the governor was doing the honours at their home. The freedom fighters earlier used to be called to Raj Bhavan for a felicitation function.

"It's our duty to respect and serve all our freedom fighters and their families for their selfless dedication and sacrifices. Without them, we won't be able to appreciate our freedom," Gehlot said.

Ministers Dr CN Ashwath Narayan and R Ashoka, Deputy Commissioner Srinivas and other officials accompanied the Governor on his visits.

Belagavi DC honours 2 freedom fighters

BELAGAVI: Deputy commissioner Nitesh Patil visited the homes of two freedom fighters in Belagavi and honoured them on the anniversaries of Quit India Movement and India's Independence. He felicitated Rajendra Dharmappa Kalaghatagi in Rani Chennamma Nagar and Vitthal Yalagi in Kuvempu Nagar. Remembering his days during the freedom struggle, Kalaghatagi said Mahatma Gandhi was an inspiration to the entire nation. Assistant Commissioner Ravindra Karalingnnavar, Tahsildar RK Kulkarni and others were present.

REMEMBERING SACRIFICE

CLP Leader Siddaramaiah pays floral tributes to Mahatma Gandhi on the anniversary of Quit India Movement, as KPCC president DK Shivakumar looks on, at the KPCC office in Bengaluru on Tuesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Opposition parties slam govt over flood relief to Kalyana-Karnataka

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

PRIYANK Kharge from Congress, Bandeppa Kashempur from JDS and other opposition party leaders from Kalyana-Karnataka are complaining about the alleged step-motherly treatment meted out to the region, which accounts for around 40 Assembly seats

Priyank tweeted, "Has the Kalyana-Karnataka region been wiped off the map of Karnataka by BJP Govt? The region too has received heavy rains & farmers have lost their crops, heavy damage to roads & infra, yet we don't get a single Rupee. The BJP MLAs of Kalyana-Karnataka remain mute spectators to this neglect."

Kashempur said, "After people have suffered crop loss and property damage, one thing is to compensate them materially, while the other is to instill hope and confidence in them. This government has done neither. The CM and the administration have to immediately provide support to the aggrieved by giving them at least Rs 20,000."

BJP MLA Shivaraj Patil said, "District in-charge minister of Yadgir Shankar Munenkoppa has instructed the DC and funds have also been released."

Another JDS MLA Naganagouda Kandakur said, "The government has given Rs 200 crore to 21 districts. I spoke to the Yadgir DC and asked why Yadgir, Kalaburagi and Raichur have not received anything." Patil said, "The funds were provided wherever there was a need. In Yadgir, the district administration has Rs 27 crore and they did not seek additional funds."

Work on war-footing to implement Jal Jeevan Mission, officials told

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CHIEF Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Tuesday directed officials to work on a war-footing for the implementation of the Jal Jeevan Mission, the ambitious project to provide clean tap water to every home.

During the video conference with senior officers from the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (RDPR) Department, the CM said the Jal Jeevan Mission is the PM's ambitious project and its implementation is top priority for the state government.

The CM said that by August 8, the target was to provide water connections to 21,63,817 houses, and they have done much better by providing connections to 21,81,557 houses. He directed the officials to complete all first-batch work by September 15.

The officials have to visit the project sites thrice a week to monitor its implementation and not just sit in their offices, the CM said.

He also directed the department heads to regularly review project implementation and seek an explanation from the officials if there was any delay. Bommai said they have taken note of the slow pace of work in some districts and asked officials to update the progress on the CM dashboard. The additional chief secretary and senior officers from the department have been asked to visit Raichur and Yadgir, the aspirational districts in which the Jal Jeevan Mission target was not achieved.

The CM also directed the deputy commissioners, zilla panchayat chief executive Officers and other officers to work efficiently to improve the quality of life in the next three months and also instil confidence in people about the government. The officers were also directed to come out with booklets on development work taken up in the districts.

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Basavaraj Bommai, Chief Minister

'Janata Parivar' can offer alternative to country, says Gowda

BENGALURU: Reacting to the political developments in Bihar, JDS supremo HD Deve Gowda on Tuesday said that the 'Janata Parivar' can offer a good alternative to the country's governance. Reacting to Bihar CM Nitish Kumar's resignation and the JDU ending its alliance with the BJP, the former PM said, "I have been watching the developments in Bihar. It reminded me about the days when the Janata Parivar was under one roof. It gave three PMs to the country. I am in my advanced years, but if the younger generation decides, it can offer a good alternative to this great nation," he stated.

HDK questions Cong over 'Freedom Walk'

ENS @ Bengaluru

FORMER chief minister **HD Kumaraswamy** on Tuesday questioned the Congress about the essence of the 'Freedom Walk', which it has planned on August 15 from the Krantivira Sangolli Rayanna Railway Station to the National College Grounds here.

AICC general secretary Priyanka Gandhi is likely to take part in the event, 'Swatantrosava Amrit Mahotsava Padayatra'.

"Now you are going to walk on Independence Day. Can you explain a little about whose freedom? Will you answer to the anti-freedom acts carried out by the Congress so far," he tweeted.

"Dr BR Ambedkar was the minister in the first cabinet of the country, which gave us the Constitution. The Congress leaders who stopped such a gentleman from coming back to the Parliament and ruthlessly suppressed the voice of the downtrodden of India are today singing the hymn of Independence," he added.

Kumaraswamy, who had been to London, returned on Tuesday. He also met his father and former PM HD Deve Gowda and inquired about the latter's health.

POLYESTER TARNISHING SANCTITY OF FLAG: WKHADER

MANGALURU: Deputy Leader of Opposition in the Karnataka Assembly and Congress leader U T Khader on Tuesday termed the recent amendments to the Flag Code of India -- to use polyester cloth in the manufacture of the Tricolour -- as an insult to the country's freedom struggle, and alleged that it had affected the sanctity of the National Flag. Speaking to reporters referring to the Centre's 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign, he said the Tricolour is not just a piece of cloth. It has its own sanctity and emotions attached to it, and is a symbol of sacrifices made by freedom fighters. Hence, the government should protect its sanctity.

With son in Cong, will Vishwanath mend fences with Siddaramaiah?

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

WILL 'Siddaramaiah admirer' Purvaj Vishwanath, son of BJP MLC **Adagur Vishwanath**, joining Congress bring a healing touch to the strained relationship between the two big Kuruba leaders, Siddaramaiah and Vishwanath?

The two leaders, who were on good terms earlier, fell out over some differences. Vishwanath, who was in Congress, went on to join JDS and then shifted to BJP. Though both are of the same age, Vishwanath got an early start, becoming an MLA in 1978 after he was handpicked by then chief minister Devaraj Urs.

It was only five years later that Siddramaiah got his big break and won the Assembly election as an independent in 1983. He later joined Janata Parivar and endeared himself to then chief minister Ramakrishna Hegde of Janata Party. Vishwanath served as a cabinet minister in the eighties and also during the SM Krishna government between 1999 and 2004. Siddaramaiah's chance at ministerial post came in 1996 when JH Patel replaced HD Deve Gowda as chief minister as Gowda had gone on to become the Prime Minister. Though Vishwanath and Siddaramaiah were poles apart politically, they maintained their friendship.

When Siddaramaiah was expelled from JDS, he joined Congress and suddenly the two Kuruba biggies found themselves on the same side. In 2013, Siddaramaiah became a CM and Vishwanath was MP. Thereafter, Vishwanath lost the parliamentary polls and moved to JDS, which helped him get elected from Hunsur. He, along with leaders from JDS and Congress, joined BJP in 2019, bringing down the Congress-JDS coalition government. His Kuruba pride was hurt when Siddaramaiah campaigned against him during the Hunsur bypoll, which he lost.

Purvaj said, "I admire Siddaramaiah and had gone to Davanagere to participate in his 75th birthday celebration. I wish some elders from the community sort out issues between the two leaders. Because when elephants fight, it is the grass that gets trampled."

Asked if he is a ticket aspirant for Hunsur, which is his father's constituency, Purvaj said he is not seeking any ticket and is joining Congress unconditionally. "I remember that as a little child, I ran around with grownups when they tied Congress banners. My heart is with the Congress," he added.

Tigers to decide fate of people in MM Hills: Ministers confuse all

ENS @ Mysuru

OVER 25,000 people in 30 villages along the Karnataka-Tamil Nadu border are living on the edge as there have been conflicting statements from two ministers over declaring MM Hills a tiger reserve.

The people residing within the MM Hills wildlife division and in Hanur taluk had thought that the issue had been put to rest when Chamarajanagar district in-charge minister V Somanna recently said that he will not allow Male Mahadeshwara Hills to be declared a tiger reserve.

But their hopes were dashed with Forest Minister Umesh V Katt's statement that MM Hills will get the tiger reserve status even if the state opposes it.

Somanna, during his visit to Ponnachi village on August 3, said the Bommai government will not allow the proposal to go through as it will affect the local population and also restrict the movement of devotees to Male Mahadeshwara temple.

But Katti, visiting Shagya in Hanur taluk recently, said, "There are over 25 big cats here, and it deserves the status."

His statement did not go down well with the residents. Shanthamallikarjuna Swamiji of Saluru Brahmanmatha, MLA R Narendra and others expressed their unhappiness. Katti, when visiting the Mutt, said the issue still has to be discussed in the cabinet. But he went on to express that the Centre may go ahead and declare MM Hills a tiger reserve, even if the state does not favour it.

REDDY HOPES TO RESTART MINING IN AP

AMIT S UPADHYE @ Hubballi

FORMER minister **Gali Janardhana Reddy** is said to be eyeing restarting iron ore mining in Andhra Pradesh.

The AP government submitted before the Supreme Court on July 21, 2022 that it has no objection to mining activities within its demarcated area. Reddy's counsel argued that as the boundaries between Karnataka and Andhra are demarcated, Reddy should be allowed to carry out mining.

Reddy owns four mines in Rayadurgam of Anantapur district in AP. All of them were shut in 2010 after the state government handed over the probe into irregularities to CBI. Over the last few months, there has been a buzz in Ballari about Reddy reentering politics and restarting mines. Sources said Reddy is trying to restart mining in Anantapur district, where he owns Obulapuram mines. In 2010, the mines were shut after the Central Empowered Committee pointed to forest land encroachment and alterations in the boundary between the two states. "The mines owned by Reddy in AP can resume operations if the Centre gives the forest clearance," sources said.

Anti-mining activists, however, said several matters pertaining to illegal mining in Ballari and AP are pending before the apex court. "We have filed an interim petition challenging the boundary survey between the two states in Ballari. The Survey of India has proposed a boundary line based on the 1896 maps when state boundaries did not exist. We are demanding a resurvey. The court had slated the next hearing for August 10, 2022, but the matter has not been listed," said Tapal Ganesh, a petitioner from Ballari.

Taking another big stride towards big-ticket reforms in the agriculture sector, the Andhra Pradesh government is all set to introduce 2,000 Kisan drones at an estimated cost of Rs 200 crore. An action plan has been submitted to the Centre to procure the Kisan drones

Partial relief for Rajinikanth's wife

Karnataka HC quashes false evidence, cheating offences, gives nod to try forgery charges

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IN a partial relief to Latha Rajinikanth, wife of Tamil actor Rajinikanth, the Karnataka High Court recently quashed charges of cheating and giving false evidence against her in a case filed by a Chennai company.

Justice M Nagaprasanna, who was hearing the case, however refused to interfere with charges of forgery against her. He granted liberty to a lower court magistrate to continue with the proceedings in the case.

Latha was challenging an order passed by the magistrate, who had issued summons to her on March 27, 2021 after taking cognisance of a private complaint filed by Ad Bureau Advertising Pvt Ltd in 2015 in Bengaluru.

The company had accused Latha of forging a document from a non-existent media house and producing it before a city civil court to get an injunction order to restrain the company from publishing and broadcasting the financial dispute over the Tamil movie, 'Kochadian'.

In March 2016, Latha approached the high court, challenging the acceptance of the private complaint by the lower court. The high court quashed the entire proceedings and held it to be a pure civil dispute. The court allowed both sides to seek damages or action under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act.

This was questioned by the complainant before the Supreme Court, which set aside the high court order, holding that it was a case that can go to trial. The proceedings again continued before the magistrate, who issued summons to Latha after the police filed a chargesheet in February 2021.

Case history

Financial transactions between the complainant and Mediaone Global Entertainment Limited led to disputes in connection with the Tamil cinema 'Kochadian'.

The dispute led to wide publicity with the media wanting to publish the details, on the grounds that Latha had executed a guarantee on behalf of Mediaone, but failed to honour it as the film bombed.

The media started publishing and broadcasting allegations against Latha. She argued that the media coverage defamed her and her family. She approached the city civil court, which passed the injunction order in December 2014.

Finally, the court returned the complaint for want of territorial jurisdiction and dissolved the injunction order in February 2015. She challenged it before the high court which was dismissed in February 2016 for default.

Malekudiya tribal families use this wooden bridge at Matthavi, Mudradi grama panchayat, in Hebri taluk | EXPRESS

Shaky bridge over swollen stream: Govt blamed after girl falls over

PRAKASH SAMAGA @Udupi

PEOPLE in Beejamakki village were elated when the government sanctioned funds for a footbridge eight months ago.

But till now the work of the bridge has not started exposing the apathy of government officials. On Monday, Sannidhi, daughter of Pradeep and Sumithra Poojari, a class 2 student, was returning home from school at Bollamballi village in Byndoor taluk when she was washed away by a swollen stream while crossing the wooden footbridge that had no railing on the one-side. About 10 kids use this everyday to go to school from Beejamakki. Though Rs 11 lakh was sanctioned eight months ago, PWD officials delayed the construction of a full-fledged small footbridge here.

There are about 40 families who depend on the same wooden footbridge. Elected representatives of Kalthodu Grama Panchayat had again reminded the authorities of the need for a bridge as this year the stream is swollen due to heavy rain.

Deputy Commissioner Kurma Rao met the family members of Sannidhi at their residence in Kalthodu on Tuesday and consoled them.

Though the search operations are intensified, they have not yet traced Sannidhi. The DC told *TNIE* that he instructed the PWD officials to construct the bridge after inspecting the spot on Tuesday. In many parts of the district, small bridges, and creaking planks are used by schoolchildren.

Shekar Kulal, neighbouring Siddapur Grama Panchayat president, told TNIE, "A small bridge in Atthikodlu-Doddaberu will help many kids from my village. Funds of Rs 7 lakh will be necessary. A memorandum has been submitted to Byndoor MLA B M Sukumar Shetty and Udupi Zilla Panchayat."

A video grab of the car from which two people were pulled out to safety

Duo rescued after car gets stuck in flood

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IN a dramatic rescue caught on video, two people, who were trapped in their car as it was being swept away in an overflowing stream, were pulled out to safety in the nick of time. The incident was reported from a village near Sakharayapatna of Chikkamagaluru district on Tuesday, and the video of the incident has gone viral.

With torrential rain lashing the district for the past 15 days, roads, paddy fields and streams have been flooded. Some local youths noticed a car being swept away. Acting swiftly, they latched onto it and tied it with a rope to an earthmover. One of the locals then broke the windshield of the car with a metal object and pulled out the duo. The owner of the car is said to be one Girish of Kethumaranahalli.

Victims' kin angry as killer set to walk free on August 15

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THE memories of the gruesome murder of four people of a family at Vamanjoor in the city by a relative on the night February 23, 1994, has come back to haunt the family members of the victims. Praveen Kumar, the lone convict of the case, and serving life sentence in Ballari jail, is set to be released on August 15 under the Grant of Special Remission to Prisoners as part of celebrations of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'.

The decision to set free the convict has enraged not only the victims relatives but also the convict's wife and his siblings and they together submitted a memorandum to Mangaluru city police commissioner N Shashikumar on Tuesday requesting not to release the convict. They have also written to the Governor, Chief Minister, Home Minister and Chief Secretary against Praveen's release.

59-year-old Praveen, a tailor, from Hiriyadka near Uppinangady was living with his aunt Appi Sherigathy in Vamanjoor. He murdered his aunt Appi, her daughter Shakuntala, Son Govinda and grand daughter Deepaka (then 9 years old) for material gain. He was gambling and was under heavy debt.

Seetharama Gurpur, son of Appi Sherigathy, said Praveen should not be released as he is a dangerous and cold-blooded murderer who is not at all remorseful of his gruesome and grisly crime. Moreover, he said that Praveen had escaped from police custody soon after his capture and was hiding in Goa for four years where he married another woman and had a kid.

The relatives said their family members and the witnesses are also worried about their safety as Praveen could be still dangerous to the public as he has no remorse.

Police commissioner N Shashi Kumar said that he will escalate the family's request to the government immediately for further action. He said the commissionerate has not received any information about Praveen's release so far.

EXPRESS READ

Rs 15 L cash reward for Ashwini Ponnappa

Bengaluru: Karnataka Youth Empowerment and Sports Minister Narayana Gowda on Tuesday announced a Rs 15-lakh cash reward from the State Government for Ashwini Ponnappa, a silver medalist in badminton mixed doubles at the Commonwealth Games. The government had earlier announced a Rs 15-lakh reward for Rajeshwari Gayakwad (cricket) and Rs 8 lakh for Gururaja Poojary (weightlifting). **ENS**

More employees now eligible for BH registration

Bengaluru: The government has granted permission for the registration of non-transport vehicles under BH series for the following employees-owned vehicles: officers of All India Services, central government employees and bank officers in post of interstate transfer and officers/ employees working in central government undertakings (excluding pensioners). Last year in August, the notification was issued for initiating the BH series registration for new vehicles. **ENS**

MULLAPERIYAR DAM SAFE, STALIN TELLS PINARAYI

CHENNAI: Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin on Tuesday reassured his Kerala counterpart Pinarayi Vijayan and the people of Kerala that the Mullaperiyar dam was safe in all aspects and flood regulation of the dam was being done as per the rule curve and gate operation schedule approved by the Central Water Commission. Stalin said this while responding to a letter from Pinarayi Vijayan, dated August 5, expressing certain concerns. Pinarayi had requested Stalin to draw more water from the Mullaperiyar dam so that the storage level could be kept at a 'safe' level. Stalin said the dam management team of Tamil Nadu was focused on precautionary measures to be taken in time for ensuring the safety of the people residing downstream the Mullaperiyar dam. **ENS**

No buses to ply at Anshi Ghat

KARWAR: With minor landslides occurring frequently at Anshi Ghat, the committee headed by assistant commissioner, Karwar, has advised KSRTC not to allow movement of buses and other heavy vehicles along this stretch. Another landslide occurred at the Anshi Ghat but the stretch was immediately cleared for vehicle users. However, the committee comprising AC Karwar, Police department, PWD and others has suggested not to allow movement of buses and other heavy vehicles. Accordingly, the KSRTC has stopped buses here for now. "The movement of buses has been stopped for now at least until the monsoon," said an official source in KSRTC. However, following an agitation by the people of Joida, Kumbarwada and other places, the KSRTC has started two shuttle services since the last one week. The commuters are not happy with it. "The buses are not in good condition. They leak when it rains, they are not on time and not sufficient," said Raju Naik, a government employee. **ENS**

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Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable properties described herein, taken posession under the provisions of **SARFAESI Act 2002** and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, will be sold by inviting tenders on the following terms & conditions.

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Tender Enquiry No. 68/CE/RE&APDRP/RDSS/PMA/2022-23 Dated: 09.08.2022
CE/RE&APDRP invites E-Tenders from reputed and experienced consultants for providing Consultancy Services (PMA) for assisting and supporting in Project Management to PSPCL under "Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme launched by MoP/GoI.
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1	2022_KMML_502239_1	For fabrication and supply of Filter head for Bag Filter
2	2022_KMML_502241_1	For the supply of Plate Inconnel
3	2022_KMML_501851_1	For the supply of PTFE Pipe and Fittings
4	2022_KMML_501586_1	For the supply of XLPE insulated steel armoured Aluminum conductor cable
5	2022_KMML_501547_1	For the supply of Hydrocyclone O-401
6	2022_KMML_501573_1	For the supply of 1152MT of Aluminium Tri Hydrate
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7	2022_KMML_502004_1	For supply of 87 user license of Microsoft 365 Business Standard (CSP) for annual renewal in The Kerala Minerals and Metals Ltd.
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1	30221684	Foot Plate Arrangement for UIC Vestibule	777 Nos.	22-08-2022
2	77221025C	Paint anti corrosive bituminous black to specn	28170 Ltr.	16-08-2022
3	29222034A	Set of cylindrical roller bearing for 3 phase	36 Sets	05-09-2022
4	83221082	Pre-Printed Ticket Paper Rolls	293597 Rolls	05-09-2022
5	38221304	Bolster Spring Outer	2415 Nos.	06-09-2022
6	17221142	Controller Assembly Dynamic Brake	18 Nos.	12-09-2022
7	L3225636	Supply and Installation of Natural Light Pipe	200 Nos.	01-09-2022
8	L3225617	Top Rail	400 Nos.	01-09-2022
9	77221024A	Paint aluminum brushing	48260 Ltr.	29-08-2022

Corrigendum to Tender Notice No. 08/2022
For Tender No.33225010 - Due Date changed from **26-07-2022 to 16-08-2022**
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Tender Enquiry No. 109/Dy.CE/Th.Op./263/O&M/GHTP/2022 Dated: 09.08.2022
Dy. Chief Engineer / Thermal Operation Circle, GHTP, Lehra Mohabbat invites E-Tender for the work. To assist in the work under thermal operation in the execution of operational jobs of all four units of GHTP Stage-I&II round the clock in three shifts and during general duty hours at GHTP, Lehra Mohabbat.
For detailed NIT & tender specifications, please refer to https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from 09.08.2022 from 13:00 hrs onwards.
Note: Corrigendum and addendum, if any, will be published online at https://eproc.punjab.gov.in
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Whereas,the undersigned being the authorised officer of **Udaya Souharda Credit Cooperative Limited [USCCL]** under the securitisation and reconstruction of financial assets and enforcement of security interest act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the security interest (enforcement) rules 2002,issued demand notice dated:12/07/2021 calling upon the borrower/surety holders mentioned herein below, to repay the amount mentioned in the **notice within 60 days from the date of recepit of the said notice.**
The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub section (4) of section 13 of the act read with rule 8 of the security interest (enforcement) rules, 2002, on the below-mentioned date.
The borrower/surety holders in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties herein below and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **Udaya Souharda Credit Cooperative Limited** for the amount mentioned below and interest thereon. You are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the sarfasi act, 2002, you are restrained/prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above secured assets or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in ordinary course of business) of the above secured asset, without prior written consent of **USCCL.**
You are further requested to furnish all details/particulars related and regarding the below mentioned mortgaged property immediately.
We may add that non-compliance with the above provision contained in section13(13) of the sarfaesi act, is an offence punishable under section 29 of the said act.
The borrower/surety holders are further advised to contact and for any correspondence in this regard may be addressed to the authorized officer at the above-mentioned registered office at bengaluru immediately.
Name of the borrower: Sri. HR Jayadevappa S/o late M. Halappa, **Name of the surety holder(s): 1. Sri. Vinay Sudhakar** s/o N. Sudhakar, **2. Sri. Srikanth JT** s/o HR Jayadevappa, **Date of demond notice: 12/07/2021 Date of possession: 10/08/2022, amount in Demand Notice (Rs): Rs.1,41,78,981/-** (Rupees One Crore Fourty One Lakhs Seventy Eight Thousand Nine Hundred And Eighty One Rupees Only) **as on 16/10/2021and as of dt: 03/08/2022 Rs.1,57,42,460/-** (Rupees One Crore Fifty Seven Lakhs Fourty Two thousand Four Hundred And Sixty Only) along with further interest at contractual rates on the aforesaid amount, incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc. incurred and accruing thereon on daily basis.
SCHEDULE-I DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
Mortgage (by way of original deposit of title deeds) on: All that piece and parcel of immovable property being a residential apartment no.t 317,3rd floor,in the multistoried residential complex known as "canopy Calyx", constructed on a property bearing residentially converted land bearing sy.no.17/1a, B-katha no.545/1/17/1a/t-317, situated at Kempapura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru District, Bengaluru, measuring to an extent of 2506 sq ft of super built up area together with 1/38 undivided share in lane equivalent to 734.258 sq ft ,within the limits of revenue administrative jurisdiction of BBMP (including half portion in depth of the joints between ceiling of the flat and floors of the apartment above it internal and external walls between such levels) and the building is of RCC roofing cement/hollow/solid blocks with cement mortar, vitrified flooring, teak/hard wood frames with aluminum shutters with separate electricity facilities, common water and sanitation including all rights, title interest privilages appurtenances together with a covered car parking slot in the basement.
Place : Bengaluru Sd/- Authorized Officer
Date : 03/08/2022 For **Udaya Souharda Credit Cooperative Ltd**

UDAYA SOUHARDA CREDIT CO-OPERATIVE LTD.
Regd. Off : "Udaya Sahakara Bhavana", # 29/11, 1st Main, Mountjoy Road, Hanumanthanagar, Bengaluru - 560 019.
POSSESSION NOTICE: APPENDIX IV [RULE 8(1)]
FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY MORTGAGED TO UDAYA SOUHARDA CREDIT COOPERATIVE SOCIETY;LOAN ACCOUNT NO.02107224/13/03/2020
Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of **Udaya Souharda Credit Cooperative Limited [USCCL]** under the securitisation and reconstruction of financial assets and enforcement of security interest act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the security interest (enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notice dated: 12/07/2021 calling upon the borrower/surety holders mentioned herein below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice **within 60 days from the date of recepit of the said notice.**
The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub section (4) of section 13 of the act read with rule 8 of the security interest (enforcement) rules, 2002, on the below-mentioned date.
The borrower/surety holders in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties herein below and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **Udaya Souharda Credit Cooperative Limited** for the amount mentioned below and interest thereon. You are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the sarfasi act 2002, You are restrained/prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above secured assets or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in ordinary course of business) of the above secured asset, without prior written consent of **USCCL.**
You are further requested to furnish all details/particulars related and regarding the below mentioned mortgaged property immediately.
We may add that non-compliance with the above provision contained in section13(13) of the sarfaesi act, is an offence punishable under section 29 of the said act.
The borrower/surety holders are further advised to contact and for any correspondence in this regard may be addressed to the authorized officer at the above-mentioned registered office at bengaluru immediately.
Name of the borrower : Sri. S. Sri Harsha S/o Sri. S. Venkataramayya **& Smt. S. Sujatha** W/o Sri. S. Sri Harsha **Name of the surety holder(s): 1. Sri. B. Aravind Balasani** S/o B. Narasimhaswami **2. Sri. N. Balasubramanyam** S/o N. Subba Rayadu **Date of demond notice: 21/07/2021 Date of possession: 27/12/2021 amount in Demand Notice (Rs): Rs. 2,27,95,766/-** (Rupees Two Crore Twenty Seven Lakhs Ninty Five Thousnad Seven Hundered And Sixty Six Rupees Only) As On 21/07/2021 And As Of Dt: 03/08/2022 **Rs. 2,60,67,227/-** (Rupees Two Crore Sixty Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand Two Hundred And Twenty Seven Rupees Only) along with further interest at contractual rates on the aforesaid amount, incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc. Incurred and accruing thereon on daily basis.
DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
Mortgage (by way of original deposit of title deeds) on:
Schedule "A" Property: All that piece and parcel of portion of site no.49 & 50 formed by the bangalore development authority, bearing BBMP katha no.67-1-49 and 67-1-50, situated at 4th Cross, Koramanagala, 5th Block, BBMP Word No.67, Bangalore, totally measuring an extent of 4800 sq ft.and bounded on: **East by :** site no.51 **West by:** site no.48 **North by :** private property **South by :** road3
Schedule "B" property : Item-1 All that piece and parcel of property bearing flot no.F-1 in all measuring 1186 square feet,and which is a two bedroom residential apartment situated in the building known as **'SVR GREENWOODS',** having an undivided share of 460 sq ft, with one covered parking in the basement and bounded on: **East by:** private properties **West by :** flot no.F-3 **North by :** private properties **South by :** flot no. F-2 In all measuring 1186 square feet constructed flat with car parking having an undivided share 460 sq feet.
Item-2 All that piece and parcel of property bearing flot no. F-2 in all measuring 1173 square feet, and which is two bedroom residential apartment situated in the building known as **'SVR GREENWOODS',** having an undivided share of 455 sq ft, with one covered parking in the basement and bounded on: **East by:** private properties **West by :** flot no.F-3 **North by :** flot no.F-1 **South by :** road In all measuring 1173 square feet constructed flat with car parking having an undivided share 455 sq feet.
Item-3 All that piece and parcel of property bearing flot no.t-1 in all measuring 1186 square feet and which is a two bedroom residential apartment situated in the building known as **'SVR GREENWOODS',** having an undivided share of 460 sq ft, with one covered parking in the basement and bounded on: **East by:** private properties **West by :** flot no.T-3 **North by :** private property **South by :** flat no.T-2 In all measuring 1186 square feet constructed flat with car parking having an undivided share 460 sq feet.
Item-4 All that piece and parcel of property bearing flot no. S-2 in all measuring 1865 square feet, and which is a two bedroom residential apartment situated in the building known as **'SVR GREENWOODS',** having an undivided share of 540 sq ft, with one covered parking in the basement and bounded on: **East by:** private properties **West by :** flot no. S-3 **North by :** private property **South by :** flat no. S-1 In all measuring 1865 square feet constructed flat with car parking having an undivided share 540 sq feet.
Place : Bengaluru Sd/- Authorized Officer
Date : 03/08/2022 For **Udaya Souharda Credit Cooperative Ltd**

EDITORIAL

"The only solutions that are ever worth anything are the solutions that people find themselves" — Satyajit Ray

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— Ramnath Goenka

NEEDLESS NOISE OVER MOP UP FROM 5G SPECTRUM AUCTION

As questions are being raised on the pricing of 5G spectrum that was auctioned recently, it once again brings to the fore the question whether the government should go for value maximisation or look at larger public benefits from the sale of national assets. The thumb rule is that national assets should not be sold at throwaway prices and the allocations should be made in a transparent manner, but those raising questions over the pricing must realise that value maximisation cannot be the sole purpose of the auction of something like telecom spectrum, which is at the base of the country's digital infrastructure. These are ultimately 'goods' of public use, and the cost of acquisition of spectrum could ultimately affect the price of telecom services offered by telcos.

Keeping the spectrum prices exorbitantly high may create unnecessary entry barriers and indirectly promote monopoly or duopoly. In the auctions held in March 2021, none of the players bid for the 700 MHz band as they found the base price too high, and not commercially viable. A report by a parliamentary committee headed by Congress Lok Sabha MP Shashi Tharoor had pointed out high spectrum prices as one of the key challenges in adoption of 5G in India. The committee noted that considering the financial stress in the (telecom) sector and that the 5G ecosystem is yet to be developed, a high reserve price may adversely impact the ability of service providers to roll out 5G.

The criticism over lower realisation from sale of 5G spectrum should not be solely based on price determined by the bureaucrats in the Department of Telecommunication (DoT) or telecom regulator. It should also be judged by the willingness of buyers to bid at those exorbitant prices. We all know how the brouhaha over 2G spectrum allocation in the UPA era led to stress in the telecom sectors, with many calling the CAG's ₹1.76 lakh crore loss figure too atrocious and simplistic.

Let's hope the noise over sales proceeds from the recent spectrum auction does not snowball into another unnecessary controversy delaying the adoption of 5G in the country.

WHY STUDENTS ARE ANGRY WITH CUET

The first edition of Common University Entrance Test (CUET) for undergraduate admissions has run into a serious muddle. A few technical glitches forced the National Testing Agency (NTA) to cancel the exam at some centres, and UGC chairman M Jagadesh Kumar took refuge under the possibility of a wilful sabotage. The test was supposed to be wrapped up in two phases spread over three weeks, but is now stretching beyond six weeks. As most private universities went ahead with their admission process, several students were left stranded or forced to take admission by paying a huge fee. New CUET dates clashing with local festivals and wrong allocation of exam centres have also added to their complaints. As a whole, the new experiment of 'one nation, one test', which was announced in the middle of the previous academic year, has left thousands of students sore.

The move to launch CUET for central universities stemmed from the belief that some school boards were unfairly lavish in giving marks. In 2021, a Delhi University professor kicked up a storm by stating that Kerala students are infiltrating Delhi through what he termed 'Marks jihad' and 'Organised missionary-type development'. On its part, CUET, coming after two difficult years of the pandemic, has effectively established that Class-12 board exam results have no bearing on UG admissions into several universities. At the last count, 45 central universities and scores of state universities and deemed/private universities, have decided to make CUET scores their basis for admission.

It is surprising that NTA, which also conducts other competitive exams such as JEE (Main) and NEET-UG, has ended up with egg on its face. Of course, CUET is now the second-biggest entrance exam in India, with 14.9 lakh registrations, surpassing the JEE (Main). CUET, which is meant to create a level-playing field, has already spurred another thriving business of coaching, creating additional stress for students. The current mess has only compounded their woes. We can't afford to have such technical glitches during an important exam like CUET. NTA has to ensure such bugs are taken out. For the time being, let's have a guidance cell for immediate grievance redressal.

Indian Armed Forces require not just restructuring to theatre concept and greater integration but a common understanding on the need for cutting-edge technology

INDIA BEYOND 75: REVAMPING OUR SECURITY NEEDS

LT GEN SYED ATA HASNAIN (RETD)
Former Commander, Srinagar-based 15 Corps. Now Chancellor, Central University

SOUMYADIP SINHA

The number of seminars, webinars and knowledge programmes on the theme 'Securing India at 75' that I have attended in the last fortnight has actually been exhausting. Yet, it signals a new interest among Indian citizens of all age groups. Many people at these events have listened with rapt attention and thrown in some comments and an odd question too.

Many have discovered a latent interest in national security as a theme for further study. The positive here is that it's not in Delhi alone that this interest has awakened but in cities beyond, often rudely referred to as Tier 2 cities. Is this Indian strategic culture waking up to the need of the hour?

The understanding of the finer nuances of national security may still be eluding many of those present, yet there is a newfound inquisitiveness which has been in the making for the last couple of years. People are watching television, viewing world events and looking at short video clips which throng their 'mobile space'. Most people can understand many of today's events but find it difficult to join the dots of yesterday's happenings. The flurry of events related to 'Securing India at 75' is helping achieve this.

National security is such a vast subject that many well educated people and even scholars may be ignorant about what goes into making a nation secure. So, while we look at India at 75, what are the things that people should be progressively aware of if they wish to follow this interesting theme relating to India's security imperatives? Outlined here is a set of parameters and domains which should interest any Indian citizen, especially the younger ones who must emerge as the generation which will enrich India's strategic culture.

Before delving into those domains, it is good to remember that the security of a nation essentially translates into the freedom to pursue the nation's aspirations and to neutralise and ward off any obstacle in the way of achieving them. The obstacles which come in the way are referred to in security terms as threats. Two very basic needs to keep any nation secure in the modern world remain a resilient economy and energy security, both bottom line needs.

The domains and nuances I list below are without much explanation, touching just the periphery and mostly relate to military security needs. They are the vistas which need to be examined and followed to get a measure of India's national security.

Let me commence with my highest priority and there will be different perceptions about the order one follows or priority that one accords. For me, political stability at the Centre is the most important requirement for a nation's security. A stable government can take quicker decisions. Speed of decision-making often contributes to security especially when it comes to budgeting, prioritising or simply responding to opportunities or threats. Securing a national political consensus on security-related issues would always be a boon.

Taking this ahead, I then accord the nation's nuclear weapon policy the next priority. It may be time we reviewed the declared 'No First Use' subset of our nuclear doctrine. A review does not necessarily mean outright change; it could be just a tweak. I peg internal security (IS) very high, through societal strength, intelligence, counter-intelligence and the continued targeting of networks of ideologies and other enablers, even as we counter existing threats and examine fresh ones, such as in Punjab.

While a nation is internally secure, its armed forces and government can focus on force structuring and modernisation, with minimal military footprint involved in IS situations. Considering the nature of collusive external threat from China and Pakistan, it would only be prudent to accord the highest status to force enhancement where warranted, induction of warfighting platforms and cutting-edge technologies.

China's biggest worry remains the maritime domain notwithstanding its recent demonstration of naval muscle in the Taiwan waters. From the Malacca Straits to the Persian Gulf and Suez Canal, China has questionable means of supporting its maritime forces in a major showdown with any maritime power of substance. Enhancing the stakes here will be an adequate response to China's bluff and continued baiting along the northern border belt in the Himalayan region.

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Our airpower too needs massive investments and unfortunately has been at the receiving end of endless debates and resource crunch in the context of the induction of various new platforms. The myth of the 45-squadron force remains just that—a myth. It needs to be pursued relentlessly for delivery.

Without the skies being secure, the freedom to operate on ground or water seldom exists; that is a phenomenon all soldiers and sailors will agree with. Resource enhancement will also release the IAF from the challenges of distribution of air resources between theatre commands, the prime reason why it does not favour adoption of the theatre commands concept.

What the Indian Armed Forces need is not just restructuring to theatre concept and greater integration but a common understanding on the need for cutting-edge technology. *Atmanirbharta* in the defence sector strives for self-reliance in defence manufacturing and is the best way forward. Prudent financial and resource management and a balance between local acquisitions and imports may have to be established for some time to ensure that cutting-edge technologies in the armed forces do not regress. In this connection, the cyber and information domains need priority along with infusion of artificial intelligence.

While cyber continues to be accorded a fair focus, it is information or cognitive warfare which needs a grand review, including the induction of civilian content into this domain as is the practice the world over. A national body too may be needed separately to provide guidance and supervise the development of guidelines, concepts and doctrines for information warfare.

I have not relegated the Army's needs; these remain paramount and cannot be subsumed under relative prioritisation. Here the need is almost immediate. The equipment of almost every domain of warfighting needs upgrade—to include, armour, artillery, aviation and air defence.

The recent coordination and cooperation between the IAF and the Army led to the express induction of men and material into Ladakh to mirror the PLA deployment. On the practical side, what the armed forces desperately need is a separate arm for rocket and missile forces to match the adversary resources. Our force survivability too needs enhancement through better research on permanent defence works. This is not by any means an exhaustive list. The list of domains will continue to be identified and analysed.

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THE COST OF CRIMINALISING CRITICISM

KAJAL BASU
Veteran journalist

In December 2018, the Kerala High Court passed an order condemning the "[h]ighly derogatory, contumacious and unwarranted comments [that] were made not only against the judicial system, but [also] against the Honourable Judges who constituted the Bench." In December 2021, during an interview soon after the release of his rather self-defensive memoir, former CJI Ranjan Gogoi said that if you criticise a judge, "you are not only harming the judge, you are also harming the institution and the judicial system."

"If you criticize the judgement, it is good for the system," he said, "but if you criticize the judge, it is not good for the system."

In May 2022, just across the border in Islamabad, the Senate Standing Committee on Law and Justice said, tetchily, that "criticising the judge on the basis of disagreement with the judgement must be stopped."

Judges in the subcontinent have forever been battling what they construe as excessive criticism of the judge (often, but not always, alongside criticism of the judgement). And it gave rise to the decidedly subjective and often dichotomous take on what separates unfair disapproval from "fair criticism".

In March 2002, a court held that "fair criticism of the conduct of a Judge, the institution of the judiciary and its functioning may not amount to contempt if it is made in good faith and in public interest."

Just three years later, in 2005, a court took a step back, warning that "attributing improper motives, or tending to bring Judges or Courts into hatred and contempt or obstructing directly or indirectly with the functioning of Courts is serious contempt of which notice must and will be taken."

"Respect," it added, "is expected not only from those to whom the judgement of the Court is acceptable but also from those to whom it is repugnant."

Woven into this debate is a sort of us vs them classism. In the 2002 judgement referred to above, the court said: "*All citizens* cannot be permitted to comment upon the conduct of the courts in the name of fair criticism which, if not checked, would destroy the institution itself."

Therefore, only a subset of polite, deferential citizens—faugh to the sloganeering, boisterous sorts—are palatable as *critici iuris*, critics of the law. And this brings us speedily to the situation that obtains today: a slew of judgments, disputed, because unexpected (and even counterintuitive), by the Everyperson, the politically-informed and vocally-entitled *aam janata*.

If the honourable judges must ask for relief from deconstruction—mostly of their political affiliations—from the people (or the commentariat), they must give, in exchange, a commodity that seems increasingly at a premium these days: *de iudicio*, or juridical, dependability.

Judgements that *seem to be* just must be inseparable, by any mechanism whatsoever, whether political or personal, from judgements that *are* just. And vice-versa.

But the citizenry is faced today with a three-tier juridical system of erraticity (although not eccentricity, for the inconstancy seems a result of deliberate misinterpretation or misapplication of laws). By accepting the most frivolous or motivated of complaints, the lower courts validate them and make preposterous arrests possible. The ability of the high courts to fine-comb these cases, separating the workable from those doomed to fail, is coming into question. And the uppermost court of all, where fears of whimsicality or motivatedness are supposed to be put to rest, has for some years now been seen as a collective of individuals bound loosely by fealty to the tenets of law and tightly by loyalty to political affiliations.

In the UK, judicial accountability is a media free for-all—admittedly, mostly, but not solely, in the contumacious tabloids—unfettered by protestations, such as in India, from judges (because it is sweepingly accepted that there exists substantial political interference at the trials stage)

When you have a blackrain of unpredictable and often surreal judgements that end in harmless people dying or being locked up for years in the course of pretrial incarceration, or people being arrested and clapped in irons for months for unarguably bailable offences, the first casualty is trust in the judicial system. And since the citizenry's interface with the vast superstructure are the judges, who also decide and declare the penalties, it's the judges who are coming in for flak even as their judgements are being scrutinised and, often, excoriated.

This is inescapable. For decades now, in the US, for instance, the extrajudicial preferences of judges have been openly debated. Their judgements are almost invariably put through the media mill, and what contributed to the judgements lit up in neon. The world knows about the political composition of the US Supreme Court. Its orders—and the personalities, the legalities, and their motivations—are minutely dissected in every single forum of free speech in the land, whether offline or online.

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Judges must not only be seen to be both independent and impartial, but must also actually be so. And so must their judgements. The pathway to this is not just structural realignment, or a circling of the judicial wagons: it is also in the exogenous criticism that aids in self-reflection. This is the only way that their deconstruction might come to be considered, at some point, besides the point. Until trust is re-established through transparently dependable judgements, there is no point in shutting out or even criminalising criticism (personal-political though it may be)—criticism that, as in the best democracies, can only aid in the improvement of judgements and judges alike.

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Kamal breaks barriers

Apropos of *Sharath Kamal: Mind, Body and Soul* (August 9). In a span of 24 hours, he was in three finals. That he managed to console and motivate his mixed doubles partner Sreeja Akula after she was disheartened due to her defeat in the singles event, shows that he can play the role of a mentor as well. He is a role model for not just the youth, but anyone who aspires to play a sport.
Hemanth D Pai, Bangalore

BJP and Pasmandas

This is with reference to *With Pasmanda Muslims, BJP walks the extra mile* (August 9). The BJP reaching out to minorities is a positive thing. Pasmanda Muslims might gain from it, but they should be aware of the pitfalls of political play. People should refrain from stoking the flames of political endeavour. Constitutional benefits are appropriate, but receiving them through a political party is suspect.
John P Basile, Puducherry

Ambani's salary

This is with reference to *Mukesh Ambani draws no salary for 2 years* (August 9). Although he voluntarily did not get any salary for 2021–22, his dividend income was almost ₹6.5 crore. It is no big deal. There are so many Indians going to bed every single night on an empty stomach. How much does a man really require for a decent living?
C G Kuriakose, Kothamangalam

Uttarakhand's Gangajal

This is with reference to *Uttarakhand: Gangajal to go global* (August 9). It is wonderful that the Uttarakhand government is trying to market Gangajal under the 'Nirvan Amrit Gangajal' scheme. By doing this, Hindus across the country will benefit since they will be able to carry out their rituals satisfactorily.
P Katam Raju, Andhra Pradesh

HAC bill

This is with reference to *5 students freed, but blockade on* (August 9). The government's duty is not to cause or increase conflict but to work towards welfare and peace in society. Although the five students from the student union were released, the crux of the issue is the HAC-recommended bill. They are upset because it affects their lives. The government should empathise with them and have a dialogue to resolve the issue rather than frustrate the communities more.
Avinash, Kerala

Winner takes it all

With 22 gold medals at the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, Team India has truly made the whole country proud. This magnificent performance is due to hard work and also the fillip they received.
S K Ramesh, Ballari

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Dr. S. Jaishankar @DrSJaishankar
Those who spend their lives dealing with national security especially appreciate how much our very definition of the term is undergoing transformation.

Mamata Banerjee @MamataOfficial
GoWB has always ensured welfare and upliftment of tribal communities through several schemes. We will continue to protect their rights.

Varun Gandhi @varungandhi80
Hanging recruitment and stalled future, the most important time of youth life, sometimes agitation and sometimes court is lost.

CUET CONUNDRUM: WHY CHAOS STRUCK ENTRANCE EXAM

Billed as India's second biggest examination, which is making its debut, it will decide future of 14,90,000 students who have enrolled to go through the test

WHAT IS CUET-UG?

The Central University Entrance Test (CUET)- Undergraduate (UG) is a mandatory all-India level examination for admission to different undergraduate programmes in central universities.

It's a single window to seek admission to participating universities/ institutes.

Envisaged as part of NEP, CUET hopes to resolve the high cut-off problem and make admission a level-playing field.

14,90,000

students have registered for CUET-UG 2022. Of these, 8,10,000 have been allotted Phase I and 6,80,000 will take Phase II of the exam.

Exam schedules divided into two slots — 9am to 12.15pm and 3pm to 6.45pm. Exam conducted in 13 languages - Assamese, Bengali, English, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Odiya, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu and Urdu.

WHEN DID IT START?

Billed as India's second biggest exam, it was to be conducted in two phases, starting July 15, 16,19, 20 and August 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 and 20 across 547 Indian and 12 cities abroad, including Indonesia, Nepal, Sri Lanka, UAE and Kuwait.

HOW WAS THE EXAM CONDUCTED?

On the Computer Based Test (CBT) mode. Exam pattern was Objective Type Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs).

Which universities – both government and private – come under CUET?

44 central universities

12 state universities

11 deemed universities

19 private universities

EXPRESS PHOTO BY SHEKHAR YADAV

We were clear not to burden our son. He got admission to a college in Canada. And he will be leaving soon. I am happy he was able to escape this stressful time

Nibedita Mukherjee, 49, a Delhi resident

The CUET exam has once again been postponed due to technical glitches. However, we are bound to the CUET process and cannot start admissions without its results,

K Raja Ram, PRO of English and Foreign Languages University, Telangana.

Conducting exam properly is our top priority. Due to technical glitches, the examination was not held properly so I have written to the UGC requesting them to allow us to conduct re-exam in between August 12 and 14 for the benefit of students. We are likely to get a final reply on this by Wednesday – M Krishnan, Central Univeristy of Tamil Nadu Vice-Chancellor

UNENDING GLITCHES

On August 8, the exam went off smoothly. But at two centres at Itanagar (Rajiv Gandhi University and NIT), where of the 36 and 154 candidates, respectively, who were scheduled to take the test, only three turned up due to very heavy landslides. The exam for candidates who couldn't reach these two centres rescheduled for August 24-28.

OUTLIERS

CUET score is not considered for admission to Kerala colleges under Mahatma Gandhi University, Calicut University and Kannur University. Colleges under these universities follow an admission process based on marks in qualifying exams and allotment is done through a single window online system.

WHAT WAS THE FIASCO?

- Exam began on July 15 amid confusion with last-minute centre changes and cancellations. This led to many students missing taking the exam. About 19 students allowed to the take retest in the second phase on August 4.
- On July 15, exams at two centres in New Jalpaiguri in West Bengal and Pathankot in Punjab were cancelled for technical reasons. Around 190 students were to take retest in the second phase.
- The cancellation also hit students seeking admission to the five-year integrated MSc programme at the Central University of Odisha. This hasn't helped Odisha private colleges or universities to open up their admission as CUO is the only educational institution that offers the course.
- In Andhra Pradesh, one CUET exam was deferred for technical reasons.
- In Telangana, three central universities – University of Hyderabad, English and Foreign Languages University and Maulana Azad National Urdu University – are waiting for CUET to be conducted to start their admissions processes for UG courses.

- Only 76.48 per cent attendance was recorded for Phase I

1,58,909

candidates missed their allotted slots.

- According to NTA data, of the

2,50,495

candidates allotted slots in Phase 1, only 191,586 appeared for the exam.

- As confusion prevailed, PUC classes had already begun as early June
- A bigger fiasco hit Phase-2 on August 4, with postponements and cancellations from the first day. The NTA, which conducts the exam, announced that the test was cancelled across 29 centres in 17 states and Union Territories in the morning shift.

- Central University of Kerala depends on CUET to fill 40 seats for BA International Relations and Politics course run from it Thiruvananthapuram campus. Now, admissions will be delayed as NTA put off the CUET test and new dates are yet to be announced.

In the second shift, exams at 489 centres were cancelled. They were rescheduled for August 12.

- The same day, NTA also postponed the CUET-UG in Kerala, scheduled for August 4, 5 and 6, due to heavy rains. Fresh dates were to be announced later.
- On the second day, technical glitches were again reported. Exams for the first shift were postponed at 20 centres. At 30 centres, the second shift exam was postponed.
- On August 6, NTA announced that exam postponement at 53 centres. It was to be held between August 12 and14.
- But next day, both NTA and UGC announced that the rescheduled Phase 2 exam for August 12-14 was cancelled due to technical glitches, logistics and administrative problems.
- They would now be held from August 24 to 28. Reason furnished: festivities, change in dates or cities by students. Fresh admit cards would be issued.

POOR COMMUNICATION ADDED TO CONFUSION AND CHAOS

- UGC Chairman M Jagadesh Kumar said Phase 3 of the exam on August 17,18 and 20 would be on schedule.
- Repeated cancellations earned NTA brickbats from Congress' Rahul Gandhi. Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan sought to firefight, meeting NTA, AICTE and ministry officials to review arrangements for the test.
- Jagadesh Kumar said there were reports of suspected sabotage. NTA immediately swung into action and cancelled and postponed exams at centres where suspected sabotage may have occurred. He said strict action will be taken against saboteurs.
- He said a unique email id cuetgrievance@nta.ac.in created to receive and address queries and grievances. More school teachers would be deployed to deal with students.

JCO hurt in militant attack near India-Myanmar border

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Guwahati

A Junior Commissioned Officer (JCO) was injured when militants carried out an attack on Assam Rifles troops in Changlang district of Arunachal Pradesh on Tuesday.

Official sources said that the militants, suspected to be from the United Liberation Front of Assam (ULFA) and the Yung Aung faction of National Socialist Council of Nagaland (NSCN-YA), fired shots from across the Myanmar border at around 3 am.

"The Assam Rifles troops were undertaking enhanced patrolling activities in view of heightened vigil for the upcoming Independence Day. One JCO sustained minor injury in the hand. No injury or any other damage has been reported," Assam's Tezpur-based defence spokesperson Lt Col A S Walia said in a statement.

The site of the incident is one km away from the Pangsau Pass. The militants are believed to have used mortars in the attack.

Gunshots were also heard on the international border in Noklak district of neighbouring Nagaland.

"The Assam Rifles said gunshots were heard at midnight. Our officers are at the site to verify it," Noklak Superintendent of Police Pritpal Kaur told this newspaper.

Recently, several militant outfits of the Northeast, including ULFA and NSCN-YA which operate out of Myanmar, had jointly called for a boycott of the Independence Day and appealed to people in the region not to participate in the celebration.

Meanwhile, a Junior Commissioned Officer (JCO) of Army, who was trampled to death by an elephant in West Bengal, was cremated with full military honours at his home town in Kathua district of Jammu and Kashmir on Tuesday, officials said.

Subedar Ram Singh of 25 Grenadiers was on duty when a group of elephants attacked his post in Siliguri on August 6, causing his death, the officials said.

TRAFFICKING

Govt to HCs: Hold judicial colloquium

SUMIT KUMAR SINGH @ New Delhi

THE Union Home Ministry has asked all the High Courts in the country to orgainse judicial colloquium and state level conferences on anti-human trafficking. The ministry, in an official communication, to Registrar Generals of all High Courts said the complex nature of human trafficking calls for a multidimensional strategy in tackling it at domestic, regional and international level.

"Impediments which the Government has come across in the past include lack of awareness, lack of training of concerned officers, failure to register cases under relevant laws and ineffective investigation etc," it noted.

The government said it has been engaging with the Judicial Academies of States and UTs for holding Judicial Colloguiums on Anti-Human Trafficking on periodic basis.

Notably, the MHA provides financial support of up to ₹2 lakhs on each such occasion.

Lanka IOC to invite bids for setting up retail outlets across island nation

YESHI SELI @New Delhi

LANKA IOC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Indian Oil Corporation Ltd, will soon be inviting bids for 50 new retail fuel outlets that have been invited by the fuel-starved island nation government following the economic crisis.

The Ministry of Power and Energy has announced that Lanka IOC has been granted permission to open such fuel stations. LIOC at present has 211 outlets.

"Expressing gratitude to the Sri Lankan government, we feel proud to have received permission for opening 50 new sheds. We shall soon release the detailed advertisement for inviting applications. While investment on tanks, dispensing units, equipment shall be ours, infrastructure costs would have to be borne by dealers. The land for the outlets will have to be owned or leased by the applicant," said Manoj Gupta, MD LIOC.

LIOC is the only fuel retailer in Sri Lanka selling fuel even during the peak of the crisis in late June when the country was facing protests, forcing the then President Gotabaya Rajapaksa to flee the country.

In July, continuing their effort to reach out to ensure uninterrupted supply of fuel to essential services such as healthcare, LIOC had announced a preferential prioritised fueling of 209 ambulances from their sheds across the country to ensure timely medical assistance.

"We reassure our commitment to serve. I have instructed our dealers to keep specified diesel quantities available at all times," Gupta had said earlier.

Faced with the fuel crisis in the foreign exchange shortage caused first by the Easter Day terror attack and then the COVID-19 pandemic, Sri Lanka is currently exploring ways to liberalise the trade. Currently, only the CPC — a state-owned entity — and the LIOC are running local fuel retail businesses. The CPC runs over 1,100 retailers as opposed to 216 under the LIOC.

With no foreign exchange to pay for fuel, Sri Lanka was dependent on an Indian line of credit of $700 million which expired in June. The LIOC to date was enjoying a 16% market share for petrol and diesel in Sri Lanka. For lubricants, bitumen, and oil bunkering its market share is over 35%.

Sri Lanka is going through its worst economic crisis since its independence in 1948. The export industry is badly hit by the fuel scarcity caused by the forex crisis. Having declared an international debt default in April, Sri Lanka is currently negotiating with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for a possible bailout package.

However, the IMF programme has hit a snag in the form of restructuring of debt. Even the World Bank has refused to provide any aid until a detailed macroeconomic policy is in place.

Only retailer that sold fuel during Lanka crisis

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'OUTDATED DATA USED TO CLEAR COASTAL PROJECTS'

RICHA SHARMA @New Delhi

OUTDATED baseline data was used for projects cleared in coastal areas, non evaluation of environmental impact of projects, projects approved by union environment ministry despite several inadequacies in the project proposals, these are some of the key issues flagged by country's auditor CAG in a report on assessment of project clearances in disaster prone coastal areas.

"The projects were approved despite inadequacies in the Environment Impact Assessment Reports which included non-accreditation of the consultant involved with the preparation of the EIA Report, usage of outdated baseline data, non- evaluation of environmental impacts of the project, non-addressal of disasters which the project area was prone to," said the report 'Conservation of Coastal Ecosystem' tables in the Parliament on Monday.

The national auditor noted that instances were observed where Expert Appraisal Committees (EAC) granted clearances, though domain experts were not present during the project deliberations. Also, cases were noted where the members of EAC were less than half of the total strength during the deliberations as there was no fixed quorum for EAC members.

The Government has issued notifications under Section 3 and 5 of Environment Protection Act 1986 to regulate the activities in coastal space so as to protect the coastal environment from various anthropogenic activities. Coastal Regulation Zone Notification (CRZ) 2019 was implemented by Union environment ministry.

Only 4 states have installed e-devices on highways

PARVEZ SULTAN @New Delhi

ONLY four states — Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Arunachal Pradesh — have confirmed that they are following the provision of the Motor Vehicle Act and notification issued to ensure the appropriate electronic enforcement devices on national highways at high risk and high density corridors. According to the road transport and highways ministry, union territories — Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) — have also given confirmation in this regard.

August 2021 notification issued by the ministry for electronic monitoring and enforcement of road safety mandates that the state government will ensure that appropriate electronic enforcement devices are placed at high risk and high-density corridors on National Highways. The ministry has also issued an advisory to all states in January, 2020 regarding implementastion of the said provisions.

Last week BJP MP Ashok Bajpai sought to know about states which are not following the provisions pertaining to electronic enforcement devices on the highways.

Replying to questions, union road transport and highways minister Nitin Gadkari informed about confirmation from four states and J&K.

"Remaining states/UTs have not yet been confirmed," the minister replied.

The electronic enforcement device means a speed camera, closed-circuit television camera, speed gun, body wearable camera, dashboard camera, Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR), Weigh in Machine (WIM) and other technology specified by the state governments.

Gadkari further stated that provision of Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) is envisaged in high traffic density corridors which may help in speedy identification of incidents on the highway stretches and thereby improving the response time of the on-site assistance.

"As per the Section 136 A of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, the State Government shall ensure electronic monitoring and enforcement of road safety on national highways as per the rules made by the Central Government," he added.

ADOPTION LAW

A parliamentary panel has said there was a need to harmonise the Hindu Adoptions and Maintenance Act and the Juvenile Justice Act to bring out a uniform and comprehensive legislation on adoption

06 VILLAGES IN UTTAR PRADESH AFFECTED BY FLOODS

Ahmedabad	36	29	Mumbai	29	26
Bhopal	28	23	Panaji	29	26
Jaipur	34	27	Patna	35	28
Amritsar	37	28	Lucknow	35	29
Chennai	35	28	Port Blair	31	26
Kolkata	29	25	Imphal	28	21
Srinagar	33	21	Chandigarh	37	26

With some sullen faces and others ecstatic, ambition and anger wrap political ambience of Maharashtra and Bihar

Shinde expands Cabinet

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

MAHARASHTRA Chief Minister Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde on Tuesday expanded his two-member ministry 40 days after taking oath by inducting 18 ministers, nine each from his rebel Shiv Sena camp and the BJP.

Maharashtra BJP president Chandrakant Patil was among 18 MLAs sworn in at Mumbai on Tuesday. Governor B S Koshyari administered the oath of office to the ministers. On June 30, Shinde was sworn in as the chief minister and Devendra Fadnavis took oath as deputy CM.

However, there is no woman in the list, a move being criticised by opposition parties. Shinde said that women MLAs would be inducted in the second phase of expansion. Echoing Shinde, Fadnavis added that Uddhav Thackeray didn't have any woman MLA when he took oath.

The BJP tried to keep the regional balance in mind and added some new faces along with experienced ones. On the other hand, Shinde accommodated seven ministers who were part of the previous Uddhav Thackeray government. He made Deepak Kesarkar spokesperson of his camp. Tanaji Sawant, a rebel Shiv Sena MLA who had been denied a ministerial berth in the Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) government, was sworn in as minister.

Shinde accommodated rebel Sena MLAs and ministers who stood by him despite corruption allegations against them. He inducted Sanjay Rathod, who had to resign from the previous government after his name cropped up in the Tiktok star Pooja Chavan suicide case, into the cabinet.

The strength of Maharashtra ministry has gone up to 20, less than half the maximum strength of 43.

Meanwhile Shinde's decision to induct nine MLAs out of 51 loyalists left many red-faced. As per sources, BJP was ready with a probable list of ministers, but Shinde struggled till the last moment to strike a balance.

"When we moved out of the Uddhav Thackeray government, we were promised ministry. But our names were missing from the list read in the meeting by Shinde. We hope we would be there in the second phase of the expansion. Else, we have to think," said a Shiv Sena MLA, who joined Shinde camp in Surat.

Rebel Sena MLA Sanjay Shirsat is also upset. "Shirsat had a verbal fight with the CM and asked why he was not chosen. Shinde calmed him saying a second expansion will be held next month," sources said.

The new government came with the support of smaller parties and independent MLAs, but they have been ignored, according to Independent MLA Bacchu Kadu.

Interestingly, no MLC was inducted as minister on Monday.

NEW FACES IN MINISTRY

The much-awaited expansion of the Maharashtra Cabinet of the BJP-Shiv Sena government led by Eknath Shinde took place on Tuesday in Mumbai with 18 legislators taking oath as ministers. It has MLAs from both BJP and Shinde-led Shiv Sena.

BJP CAMP

RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL, BJP MLA sworn in as minister. He was minister in Congress and NCP government as well as BJP and Sena government as well.

CHANDRAKANT PATIL, BJP MLA sworn in as minister. He is also president of Maharashtra BJP unit. He was revenue minister in 2014-2019 BJP and Shiv Sena government.

BJP MLA MANGAL PRABHAT LODHA sworn in as minister. He was elected from Malabar Hills. He is a five time MLA. He is also president of Mumbai BJP unit.

SUDHIR MUNGANTIWAR, BJP MLA sworn in as minister. He was finance minister in BJP and Shiv Sena government in 2014-2019.

ATUL SAVE, BJP MLA sworn in as minister, is a fresh face of the BJP in cabinet. He was minister for state for a brief period in Devendra Fadnavis government.

RAVINDRA CHAVAN, BJP MLA from Dombivali sworn in as a minister. He was a minister during the BJP and Shiv Sena government in 2014-2019.

SURESH KHADE, BJP MLA from Miraj in Sangli district sworn in as minister. He is a three time MLA. He was minister for state in BJP and Shiv Sena government in 2019.

VIJAY KUMAR GAVIT, BJP MLA sworn in as minister. He was elected from Nandurbar. He was a minister in the Congress and NCP government. He is a five time MLA.

GIRISH MAHAJAN, BJP MLA sworn in as minister. He was elected from Jalgaon district. He was a minister in the 2014- 2019 BJP and Shiv Sena government.

SHINDE CAMP

GULABRAO PATIL sworn in as minister. He was elected from Jalgaon rural. He was a minister in the previous Uddhav Thackeray government.

DADA BHUSE sworn in as minister. He was agriculture minister in previous Uddhav Thackeray.

ABDUL SATTAR has been sworn in as minister. He was minister for state in the previous Uddhav Thackeray government.

MLA SHAMBHURAJ DESAI. He was minister for state in the previous Uddhav Thackeray government.

MLA DEEPAK KESARKAR has been sworn in as minister. He was minister for state in BJP and Shiv Sena government in 2014-2019.

UDAY SAMANT has been sworn in as minister. He was a minister with Uddhav Thackeray.

SANDEEPAN BHUMARE has been sworn in as minister. He was a minister in the previous Uddhav Thackeray government.

SANJAY RATHOD has been sworn in as minister. He was a minister in previous Uddhav Thackeray and BJP and Shiv Sena governments in 2019 as well.

TANAJI SAWANT has been sworn in as minister. He was minister for a brief period during 2014-2019.

Dynastic politics in BJP

Fathers of BJP Lok Sabha MPs were sworn in as ministers. While Radhakrishna VikhePatil's son, Dr Sujay Vikhe Patil, is the BJP Lok Sabha MP from Ahmednagar constituency, Dr Vijay Kumar Gavit's daughter Dr Heena Gavit is the party's Lok Sabha MP from Nandurbar.

Nitish dissolves ministry

RAMAHANKAR @ Patna

AFTER walking out of the NDA, Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar on Tuesday met Governor Phagu Chauhan and staked his claim to form a government with the RJD-led grand alliance (GA). Nitish's move ignited a rally of charges and counter-allegations between the now-separated allies.

Talking to the media soon after meeting the governor, Nitish said, "We have the support of 165 MLAs. All of them have signed the letter of support." Now, the governor will decide when the new government will be formed, he added.

Referring to his decision to snap ties with the BJP, Nitish said, "I was silent but party leaders started saying that we should not continue with the NDA. I accepted their demand."

Nitish said he was reluctant to become the chief minister after the last Assembly election held in 2020 but BJP insisted on it. "The atmosphere, however, started getting vitiated. But now people of the state do not need to worry," he remarked.

When asked about the talks of his ambition to become the prime minister, Nitish said, "There is no meaning in it. I will continue to serve the people of Bihar with the support of my seven allies. We will work for the development of the state."

RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav said after JD-U's withdrawal from the NDA, the BJP would not have any ally left in the country's Hindi heartland.

"BJP always finishes its allies," Tejashwi remarked, giving instances of Punjab and Maharashtra.

Tejashwi also attacked BJP president JP Nadda for his statement that regional parties without any ideological base would be finished in future. "Nadda made the remark in the land of democracy, and it is against the spirit of democracy," he said.

Intensifying his attack on BJP, Tejashwi said, "BJP intimidates those who fear and purchases those who are saleable."

He also hailed Nitish for walking out from the NDA, saying it was in the interest of the nation as well as the state.

Stung by Nitish's decision, BJP leaders lost no time in targeting their recent ally.

Union Minister of State for Home, Nityanand Rai, said that the new grand alliance government symbolised "corruption and terror".

Rai claimed that Nitish was not even ready to listen to the two deputy chief ministers and other ministers from BJP. "Nitish also created hurdles in the execution of development works related to departments headed by BJP ministers," he alleged.

Earlier in the day, Nitish was declared as the leader of the grand alliance at the official residence of former Bihar chief minister Rabri Devi. Later, Nitish said, "Let us leave behind past issues, and make a new beginning."

He also expressed his regret over leaving the RJD-led grand alliance in 2017.

Before the grand alliance meeting, he held a meeting with JD-U MPs, MLAs and MLCs and sought their opinion on what the party should do

Nitish's exit from the NDA in Bihar has left the BJP on its own in the state, and it will have to build on its strengths to counter the mighty grand alliance.

Senior BJP leader and a minister in the former NDA government, Nitin Navin, gave an idea of his party's mood when he said the BJP would go to the people's court to explain how Nitish had disrespected the mandate and aligned with the very forces that he fought.

Echoing similar views, former Union minister Ravi Shankar Prasad said the party would take the issue to the people. He alleged that Nitish would again push the state into anarchy.

WHAT BIHAR LEADERS SAY

Forget the past and start a new innings with seven parties of the Grand Alliance. We will work together for development and serve the people of the state.
Nitish Kumar

BJP intimidates those who fear it, and purchases those who are saleable. But it didn't work in Bihar, which has sounded a bugle against BJP's misrule and tyranny
Tejashwi Prasad Yadav

The new move of Nitish Kumar to join the Grand Alliance is against the mandate of the people given to NDA in 2020. The people of Bihar will not forget about getting deceived by Nitish
RCP Singh

Nitish Kumar took a bold decision to come out of the NDA's fold. The Grand Alliance government will function smoothly and take the state to a new height of development
Ajeet Kumar Sharma

Nitish Kumar's main focus is retaining his gaddi (chair). He is not concerned about the plight of people when Bihar is reeling under drought and is also facing flood threat
Chirag Paswan

Nitish's ambition to become the prime minister forced him to snap ties with BJP as there was no chance for him to fulfill his dream in NDA. But his dream will never be fulfilled
Giriraj Singh

We are with Nitish Kumar and will support the new government to be formed under his leadership. Earlier, we were with NDA when Nitish was the leader. Now we are with Nitish when he is leader of Grand Alliance
Jitan Ram Manjhi

We will unseat BJP from power from the Centre. The movement has started from Bihar. Delhi ki gaddi ko hila kar rakh denge
Tej Pratap Yadav

Nitish Kumar will be projected as the PM candidate by opposition parties in the 2024 Lok Sabha polls. He will play a pivotal role in national politics after some time
Mukesh Sahani

Nitish to be CM for 8th time, Tejashwi set to become deputy CM

PATNA: Nitish Kumar will take the oath as the Bihar Chief Minister for the eighth time on Wednesday. The swearing-in ceremony for the chief minister and deputy chief minister will be held at around 2 pm at Raj Bhavan here, with Tejashwi Prasad Yadav taking the oath as the deputy chief minister of the RJD-led Grand Alliance (GA) government. Earlier in the day, Nitish was unanimously elected as leader of the alliance, prompting him to meet governor Phagu Chauhan and staking claim to form the government with the seven partners in GA. He submitted a letter of support of 164 MLAs of the seven parties and one Independent MLA. The strength of the state assembly is 243 and the magic figure is 122. Sources said that Nitish Kumar's JD-U and Tejashwi's RJD are likely to get 14 ministerial berths each. The Congress, which is also a part of the GA, will get three ministerial berths in Nitish Kumar's new Cabinet. According to sources, the formula chalked out earlier gives the Congress three ministerial berths along with the post of the Speaker, or four Cabinet berths. CPI-ML, which has already extended its support to Nitish, has decided not to join the Cabinet. Hindustani Awam Morcha (HAM), led by former chief minister Jitan Ram Manjhi, will also be adjusted in the council of ministers. Manjhi had earlier told the media that he was fully standing in support of Nitish Kumar. "Even when we were a part of the NDA government, we had said time and again that we are with Nitish Kumar," Manjhi said.

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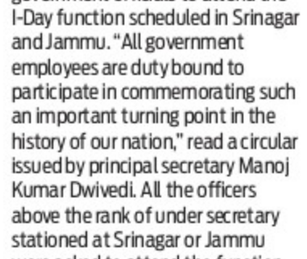
Govt officials asked to attend I-Day functions

Ahead of Independence Day, the J&K administration has directed government officials to attend the I-Day function scheduled in Srinagar and Jammu. "All government employees are duty bound to participate in commemorating such an important turning point in the history of our nation," read a circular issued by principal secretary Manoj Kumar Dwivedi. All the officers above the rank of under secretary stationed at Srinagar or Jammu were asked to attend the function at Jammu & Kashmir Cricket Stadium, Srinagar or Maulana Azad Stadium, Jammu, respectively.

Largest Chinar park planned in city

A mega chinar park will be created in Srinagar. Dubbed as chinar zaar (The Valley of Chinars), the park would be spread over nearly 400 kanals of land at the foothills of the Zabarwan mountains at upper Nishat. At least 75 chinar trees will be planted by Aug.15. The park will be developed as a green zone to attract more tourists to Srinagar. Subsequently, 300 chinar saplings would be planted in the park, making it the largest chinar plantation of Kashmir. The park would be developed jointly by departments of roads, buildings, floriculture and urban forestry. Chinar tree has a deep cultural value in Kashmir's history.



Three-day model UN conference at NIT

A three-day Model United Nations (MUN) conference in collaboration with the University of Kashmir was held at National Institute of Technology Srinagar. MUN is an academic simulation of the United Nations where students play the role of delegates from different countries. Students of different universities and colleges in the Valley registered to participate and debate the various global issues as is done by diplomats in the United Nations. The main goal of the event was to bring together leading thinkers and achievers from varied disciplines and cultures to share ideas that matter.

Guj BJP counters AAP promises to tribals with success stories

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

A direct fight is brewing between the ruling BJP and AAP for tribal votes in Gujarat. Arvind Kejriwal announced a six-point plan for tribal communities during his visit to Chhota Udepur district on Aug 7, which CM Bhupendra Patel challenged on Tuesday, saying such communities have seen "more progress" in the state than elsewhere in India.

"Under PM Modi's leadership, tribal communities have made up their mind not to fall for enticement from other parties," said Patel.

Responding to AAP's allegations on non-implementation of the Panchayats (Extension to the Scheduled Areas) Act, Patel asserted that the BJP government had "strictly implemented" the legislation.

Patel was addressing a gathering in Jhalod taluka in the tribal district of Dahod at an event to mark World Tribal Day. He spoke about the "overall development" seen by tribal communities in Gujarat, crediting Modi's leadership of since his days as the CM.

"We have shown how strictly Panchayat Act can be implemented. As many as 90 lakh tribals from 14 districts, 53 talukas, and over 4,000 villages of Gujarat have been given special rights," said the CM.

"We have ensured full rights to gram panchayats and tribal communities on land and resources. Under the Forest Rights Act, 2006, we have disposed of 99,129 cases. Over 5.64 lakh acres of land has gone to the tribal owners," Patel said.

Gujarat had notified the state PESA rules with the promise that gram sabhas would have the power to decide on matters related to their territories for safeguarding their customs, traditions and natural resources.

Patel also highlighted the election of Droupadi Murmu as the President – the first person belonging to a tribal community to hold the post.

Arvind Kejriwal

Bhupendra Patel

Under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, tribal communities have made up their mind not to fall for enticement from other parties
Bhupendra Patel, Gujarat Chief Minister

MP: Godman arrested on rape charges

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bhopal

THE controversial godman, Swami Vairagyanand Giri alias Mirchi Baba, who campaigned for the opposition Congress in the 2018 Assembly polls and 2019 general election in Madhya Pradesh, was arrested from Gwalior, for allegedly raping a woman on the pretext of helping her conceive a child.

The godman, who claims to be a Mahamandaleshwar of the Panchayati Niranjani Akhara, was arrested from outside a hotel in Gwalior on Monday night, soon after an FIR was filed against him at Bhopal on the complaint of the 28-year-old woman.

He was brought to Bhopal by police, where a court on Tuesday sent him to judicial custody till Aug. 22, Bhopal police commissioner Makarand Deouskar said.

As per police sources, the alleged rape survivor said in her complaint that she did not conceive a child even four years after marriage.

Punjab: Sukhbir should step down as party chief, say SAD leaders

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

ALL'S not well in the Shiromani Akali Dal. A section of its cadre wants change in the leadership, clearly indicating that Sukhbir Badal should step down as the party chief.

The senior SAD leaders met on Monday in Amritsar and demanded that Sukhbir implement all the recommendations of a committee report formed in the wake of the party's disastrous performance in the February polls.

The committee led by Iqbal Singh Jhunda suggested change of leadership at the top level, 'one family one MLA' formula, two-year term for the president, and "seeking forgiveness for the mistakes committed during the party's rule in the state from 2007 to 2017."

Sources said leaders met for an hour at the house of Ravikaran Singh Kahlon, son of former Speaker late Nirmal Singh Kahlon, in Amritsar and decided to approach Sukhbir Badal.

The meeting came days after Badal dissolved all party wings for a recast. In the assembly elections, the party could win only three seats.

A senior party leader who attended the Amritsar meeting said many of his colleagues believed that Sukhbir should step down to strengthen the party.

Pressure on Badal to quit post

SAD leaders met in Amritsar and demanded that Sukhbir implement the recommendations of a committee report formed in the wake of the party's disastrous performance in the February polls. The committee suggested change of leadership at the top level, among other steps.

"Most of us were of the view that the Jhunda committee report should be implemented," he said.

SAD's legislature party leader Manpreet Singh Ayali said a delegation comprising senior leaders, Sikh intellectuals and well-wishers of the community would meet Sukhbir shortly.

Meanwhile, Sukhbir constituted a five-member disciplinary committee led by former minister Sikandar Singh Maluka apparently in reaction to the Amritsar meeting. The party chief appealed to his leaders to raise their views only on party forums.

These senior leaders, including former MPs Prem Singh Chandumajra and Jagmeet Singh Brar, have objected to Sukhbir forming a disciplinary committee, terming it an attempt to muzzle their voice.

Meanwhile, Jathedar of Akal Takht, the highest temporal seat of the Sikhs, Harpreet Singh has said that if SAD wants to protect its existence, it must shun lust for power and work towards spreading Sikh principles.

FBI RAIDS TRUMP'S ESTATE, CRACKS OPEN SAFE

Ex-US Prez projects search as bid to keep him from running for 2024

WASHINGTON

THE FBI searched Donald Trump's Mar-a-Lago estate as part of an investigation into whether he took classified records from the White House to his Florida residence, a move that represents a dramatic and unprecedented escalation of law enforcement scrutiny of the former president.

Trump, disclosing the search in a lengthy statement, asserted that agents had opened up a safe at his home and described their work as an unannounced raid that he likened to prosecutorial misconduct.

The search intensifies the months-long probe into how classified documents ended up in boxes of White House records located at Mar-a-Lago earlier this year.

Familiar battle lines, forged during a a four-year presidency shadowed by FBI and congressional investigations, quickly took shape again Monday night. Trump and his allies sought to cast the search as a weaponisation of the criminal justice system and a Democratic-driven effort to keep him from winning another term in 2024, even though the Biden White House said it had no prior knowledge of it, and the current FBI director, Christopher Wray, was appointed by Trump five years ago and served as a high-ranking official in a Republican-led Justice Department.

Police direct traffic outside an entrance to Donald Trump's Mar-a-Lago estate | AP

Trump's Vice President Mike Pence, a potential 2024 rival, tweeted: "Yesterday's action undermines public confidence in our system of justice and Attorney General Garland must give a full accounting to the American people as to why this action was taken and he must do so immediately."

"These are dark times for our Nation, as my beautiful home, Mar-A-Lago in Palm Beach, Florida, is currently under siege, raided, and occupied by a large group of FBI agents," Trump wrote. "Nothing like this has ever happened to a President of the United States before."

Trump did not elaborate on the basis for the search, but the Justice Department has been investigating the potential mishandling of classified information after the National Archives and Records Administration said it had received from Mar-a-Lago 15 boxes of White House records, including documents containing classified information, earlier this year. The National Archives said Trump should have turned over that material upon leaving office, and it asked the Justice Department to investigate. *AP*

China drill aims to expand footprint

PINGTUNG

TAIWAN warned on Tuesday that Chinese military drills aren't just a rehearsal for an invasion of the self-governing island but also reflect ambitions to control large swaths of the western Pacific, as Taipei conducted its own exercises to underscore it's ready to defend itself.

Angered by US House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's recent visit to Taiwan, China has sent military ships and planes across the midline that separates the two sides in the Taiwan Strait and launched missiles into waters surrounding the island.

Taiwanese Foreign Minister Joseph Wu said that beyond aiming to annex the island democracy, China wants to establish its dominance in the western Pacific. That would include controlling of the East and South China Seas via the Taiwan Strait and imposing a blockade to prevent the US and its allies from aiding Taiwan in the event of an attack, he said. The exercises show China's "geostrategic ambition beyond Taiwan," which Beijing claims as its own territory, Wu said.

Wu's assessment of China's maneuvers was grimmer than that of other observers but echoed widespread concerns that Beijing is seeking to expand its influence in the Pacific.

China has said its drills were prompted by Pelosi's visit, but Wu said Beijing was using her trip as a pretext for intimidating moves long in the works. *AP*

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, KALAHANDI RWS&S DIVISON, BHAWANIPATNA.
e-mail: eerwsskld@gmail.com, eerwss_kld@nic.in, Phone No: 06670-230784
INVITATION OF BID THROUGH e - TENDERING
Bid Identification No- 36/SE/RWSS/ 2022-23 /Bpt Dated. 04.08.2022
O-793
01. Name of the work :- As per ANNEXURE - A

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No	Availability of tender on-line for bidding on office hour only.		Date of opening (Technical Bid)
		From	To	
1	2	3	4	5
Superintending Engineer, Kalahandi RWS&S Division, Bhawanipatna	36/SE/ RWSS/2022-23/Bpt Dated- 04.08.2022	17.08.2022 10.00 AM	13.O9.2022 05.30 PM	14.09.2022 10.00 AM onwards

Cost of tender paper to be made online payment system.
Further details can be seen from the e-procurement portal **htttp://tenderodisha.gov.in.**
The original documents should be scanned and uploaded.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer,
Kalahandi RWS&S Division, Bhawanipatna
OIPR- 25005/11/0006/2223

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DOCUMENT LOST

This is to bring to the notice of general public that, I have lost my original sale deeds bearing document no. 7604/2003-04 Registered in the office of sub registrar, K R Puram Hobli, Banglore, Site no.163A,Shirdi Sai Ratan Layout, Shivramkaranth Nagar, Thanisandra Post, Hegdenagar bangalore 560077. The documents was lost while I was traveling in the bus horamavu signal on 6th May 2022.Complaint regarding the loss of above said has been lodged in the concerned Police Authority on 4/8/2022 vide Lost report no. 0285418/2022. Anyone misusing the above said original sale deed document will be invalid. If anyone finds it, kindly contact:
guruprasad.nayak@gmail.com.
Mob:9886738217- Guruprasad Nayak.

EAST COAST RAILWAY

e-Tender Notice No. ETCECONIVSKP2022076, Dt. 29.07.2022

NAME OF WORK : REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR APPOINTMENT OF AUTHORITY ENGINEER FOR PROVIDING PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR INTEGRATED RE-DEVELOPMENT OF VISAKHAPATNAM RAILWAY STATION OF WALTAIR DIVISION OF EAST COAST RAILWAY.

Approximate Cost of the work (₹) : ₹ 586.44 Lakhs, **EMD (₹)** : 4,43,200/-, **Completion Period of the work :** 36 (Thirty Six) Months.

Date and time of closing of tender : 1200 hrs of 29.08.2022

No manual offers sent by Post/Courier/ Fax or in person shall be accepted against such e-Tenders even if these are submitted on firm's letter head and received in time. All such manual offers shall be considered invalid and shall be rejected summarily without any consideration.

Complete information including e-tender documents is available in website **http://www.ireps.gov.in.** The prospective tenderers are advised to revisit the website fifteen days before the date of closing of tender to note any changes / corrigenda issued for this tender.

The tenderers should read all instructions to the tenderers carefully and ensure compliance of all instructions including check lists, para 3.1 (additional check-list) of Tender form (Second sheet) Annexure-I of chapter 2 of Tender documents, submission of Annexure-B duly verified and signed by Chartered Accountant.

Chief Administrative Officer(Con)/ Bhubaneswar
PR-69/CF/22-23

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED
Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id:** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Phone:** 0435-2432322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746
CUB TRUST AND EXCELLENCE SINCE 1904

TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.22,44,57,546/- (Rupees Twenty Two Crore Forty Four Lakh Fifty Seven Thousand Five Hundred and Forty Six Only)** as on **29-07-2022** together with further interest to be charged from **30-07-2022** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) M/s. UFX Ventures Pvt. Ltd., No.33/1, Wallajah Road, Chepauk, Chennai - 600002. Also At, M/s. UFX Ventures Pvt. Ltd., Plot No.12, 13, 14, Rajiv Gandhi Salai (OMR), Egattur Village, Siruseri, Chennai - 603103. No.2) Mr. Usman Faheed, S/o. Usman Fayaz, No.71, 1st Avenue, 1st Cross Street, Vettuvankeni, ECR Road, Chennai - 600041. No.3) Mrs. Samia Faheed, W/o. Usman Faheed, No.71, 1st Avenue, 1st Cross Street, Vettuvankeni, ECR Road, Chennai - 600041. No.4) M/s. Gayatri Auto Services, No.3, Padmanabha Nagar, Adayar, Chennai - 600020. No.5) Mrs. P. Dhanalakshmi, W/o. Late. V.J. Prabhakar, No.57, Muthaiah Street, Teynampet, Chennai - 600086. No.6) Mr. Usman Fayaz, S/o. Usman Pasha, No.71, 1st Avenue, 1st Cross Street, Vettuvankeni, ECR Road, Chennai - 600041. No.7) Mrs. F. Zubetha Begum, W/o. Usman Fayaz, No.71, 1st Avenue, 1st Cross Street, Vettuvankeni, ECR Road, Chennai - 600041. No.8) M/s. Smart Oils, 33/1, Wallajah Road, Chepauk, Chennai - 600002. No.9) M/s. UF Printers, No.33/1, Wallajah Road, Chepauk, Chennai - 600002. No.10) M/s. UF Promoters Pvt. Ltd., No.33/1, Wallajah Road, Chepauk, Chennai - 600002.**

Notes:- 1) That our **038 -Chennai-Triplicane Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR: 501812080049182) dated **28-02-2019** requested by No.6 of you for which No.7 of you stood as Co-Obligant and Nos.1, 8, 9 & 10 of you stood as Guarantors for the facility for a Total Amount of **Rs.50,00,000/-** at a ROI of **11%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **27-12-2020** and the outstanding balance as on **29-07-2022** is **Rs.66,06,644/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **30-07-2022** till the date of realization.

2) That our **038 - Chennai-Triplicane Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR: 501812080059173) dated **26-12-2019** requested by No.3 of you for which No.2 of you stood as Co-Obligant and Nos.1, 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10 of you stood as Guarantors for the facility for a Total Amount of **Rs.80,00,000/-** at a ROI of **11%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **25-12-2020** and the outstanding balance as on **29-07-2022** is **Rs.1,07,91,495/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **30-07-2022** till the date of realization.

3) That our **038 - Chennai-Triplicane Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR:501812080046591) dated **27-12-2018** requested by No.8 of you represented by Nos.3 & 6 of you as Partners for which Nos.3 & 6 of you stood as Co-Obligants and Nos.1, 8, 9 & 10 of you stood as Guarantors for the facility for a Total Amount of **Rs.75,00,000/-** at a ROI of **11%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **26-12-2020** and the outstanding balance as on **29-07-2022** is **Rs.1,01,16,053/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **30-07-2022** till the date of realization.

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank
Schedule - A: (Property Owned by M/s. UF Promoters Pvt. Ltd.)

Schedule - "A" Property: All that piece and parcel of the Site Bearing No.820, situated at 80 feet Road, VIII Block, Koramangala Extension, Bangalore (Corporation Ward No.67) measuring East to West 24.40 metres and North to South 15.25 Metres, Totally measuring 4,000 Sq.ft. along with a Commercial Complex constructed thereon comprising of Basement, Ground, First and Second Floors and bounded on the: East by - 80' Road, West by - Site No.823 and 824, North by - Site No.821, and South by - Site No.819. **Schedule - "AA" Property:** 29.85% undivided Share, Right, Title and interest in the Schedule "A" Property measuring about 1,194.12 Sq.ft., in an undivided State. **Schedule - "AAA" Property:** A Commercial Office Space bearing Unit No.2, Comprising of the entire First Floor of the Commercial Building house known as "GOLDEN HOUSE" constructed on the property described in Schedule - A with a Super Built up area of 3,254 Sq.ft (including proportionate Share in Common Areas) with a Car Park area Specifically ear marked.

Reserve Price: Rs.3,70,00,000/-
(Rupees Three Crore Seventy Lakh Only)

AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
20-09-2022	**City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Koramangala Branch,** 92, Z Square, Gound Floor, Jyothi Nivas College Road, Industrial Layout, 5th Block, Koramanagala, Bengaluru, Bengaluru Urban - 560034. Telephone No.080-25630439, Cell No.9342874657.

Terms and Conditions of Tender-cum-Auction Sale:
(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Koramangala Branch, 92, Z Square, Ground Floor, Jyothi Nivas College Road, Industrial Layout, 5th Block, Koramanagala, Bengaluru, Bengaluru Urban - 560034. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 12.00 Noon** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact: **Telephone No.080-25630439, Cell No.9342874657. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place: Kumbakonam, Date: 08-08-2022 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office: 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN** - L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.**0435-2402322, **Fax:** 0435-2431746, **Website:** www.cityunionbank.com

SOUTHERN RAILWAY
Construction Organisation, Ernakulam Jn.
TENDER NOTICE No: E/CN/ERS/TN/03/2022-23 Dated 04.08.2022

For and on behalf of The President of India, The Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer, Construction, Southern Railway, Ernakulam Junction-682016 invites E- tenders for the work mentioned below as per Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) in the portal www.ireps.gov.in The tenderer/Contractors intending to apply for the tender needs to get enrolled in the portal www.ireps.gov.in and only online tenders will be accepted The Bid Security should be paid through online payment gateway available on the website by the way of multiple banks net banking, debit and credit card.

1. **TENDER NOTICE No: E.320/CN/ERS/OT/OHE/40**
Name of Work: Design, Supply, Erection, modifications and Re-profiling to the existing overhead equipment with 25 kV A.C. supply under Proposed Road Over Bridges at various locations in Trivandrum Division of Southern Railway.
2. **TENDER NOTICE No: E.320/CN/ERS/OT/ OHE/41**
Name of Work: Design, Supply, Erection, modifications and Re-profiling to the existing overhead equipment with 25 kV A.C. supply under Proposed Road Over Bridges at various locations in Palakkad Division of Southern Railway
3. **TENDER NOTICE No: E.572/CN/ERS/WC/OT/571**
Name of Work: Provision for 750V power supply for maintenance of HOG coaches in Ernakulam Marshalling yard maintenance Depot
4. **TENDER NOTICE No: E.572/CN/ERS/WC/OT/572**
Name of Work: Provision for 750V power supply for maintenance of HOG coaches in Nagercoil Junction coaching maintenance Depot
5. **TENDER NOTICE No: E.572/CN/ERS/WC/OT/573**
Name of Work: Provision for 750V power supply for maintenance of HOG coaches in Trivandrum Centrals Station coaching maintenance Depot

Sl. No.	Tender No.	Approx. Cash value in Lakhs	Bid Security of tender	Date of Opening	Completion period in months
1.	OHE/40	Rs.61.62	Rs.1,23,300/-	30.08.2022 at 12.00 Hrs	One Year
2	OHE/41	Rs.45.48	Rs.91,000/-	30.08.2022 at 12.00 Hrs	One Year
3	OT/571	Rs. 231.44	Rs.2,65,700/-	30.08.2022 at 12.00 Hrs	Six Months
4	OT/572	Rs. 229.21	Rs.2,64,600/-	30.08.2022 at 12.00 Hrs	Six Months
5	OT/573	Rs. 327.64	Rs 3,13,800/-	30.08.2022 at 12.00 Hrs	Six Months

Tenderers can submit Bid security in the form of bank guarantee also. For further details visit internet site **www.ireps.gov.in** or contact office of **Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer, Construction, Southern Railway Ernakulam Junction - 682016.**

Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer/Construction, Ernakulam Jn.
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAKSHADWEEP ADMINISTRATION
(DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES)
KAVARATTI-682 555

.No.42-5/8/2022-2023 DHS(1) Dated: 04.08.2022

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Department of Health Services U.T of Lakshadweep Administration, Kavaratti invites competitive E-Tender from the Original Licensed Manufacturers or their Authorized Distributors / Agents for the following work as detailed below.

Name of Work	Procurement and supply of Allopathic Medicines Anti Hypertensive/Cardiac Medicine / Respiratory /Nephrotic medicines (Tablets) required for All Health Institutions for the year 2022-23 for Six month requirement
Tender Fee / Cost of Tender Form	1000 + 18% GST (Rs.1180)
Bid Document available for downloading from	05.08.2022 10.00
Bid Document available for downloading up to	26.08.2022 04.00
Last date & Time for submission of Bid	26.08.2022 04.00
Opening of Technical Bid	26.08.2022 04.30
Opening of Financial Bid	01.09.2022 05.00

Tender Document containing detailed terms & conditions and goods required can be downloaded from the website **www.lakshadweep.gov.in** Bidders willing to participate in the tender shall visit the e-tender website **www.tendersutl.gov.in** for participation.

For any help / query, please contact representative of the Department through email **(bufferhealthdhs@gmail.com & healthtenders786@gmail.com or Telephone (04896262819)** and for any help in processing of e-tender please contact E-Tender helpdesk Shri. Sakeer Hussain. Mobile. 9447510207.

Sd/- (Dr.M.P.Basheer)
Director Health Services
U.T of Lakshadweep

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE MOTOR ACCIDENTS CLAIMS TRIBUNAL -II, NORTH PARAVUR
O.P. (MV) NO.42/2022

Petitioner: Mary Patcy @ Patcy Bijoy, aged 33 years, residing at Mulloor House, Neerikkodu Kara, Alangadu Village, Pin - 683511
Respondents: 1) Shivarama, S/o Eshwara Gowda aged 36 years, Heggage Village and Post, Sakaleshpur Taluk, Sakaleshpur, Hassan, Pin 573134 (Driver of the offending motor Vehicle bearing Reg. No. KA-05-AD-9547), **2)** N. Varadhan, S/o Nagappa Naidu, No.3672, 69th cross, Kumaraswamy Layout Bengaluru, Pin- 560078. (Owner of the offending motor Vehicle bearing Reg. No. KA-05-AD-9547), **3)** The Oriental Insurance Company Limited, DO-6, Bangalore.

NOTICE TO 1st AND 2nd RESPONDENTS

Take notice that the petition filed for compensation for sustaining injuries in the motor accident on 23.12.2019 is posted before the Honourable Tribunal on 29.09.2022 at 11am for hearing and disposal. You are required to be present in person or through counsel and file objection and if not the matter will be heard and disposed in your absence. **JIMMY VARGHESE**
Date: 30.07.2022 **(Advocate for Petitioner)**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Smt. Nagarathna R is the absolute owner of schedule property having purchased the same from Sri. Ramesh M, vide registered Sale Deed dated 19-05-2020 bearing document no.GNR-1-00127-2020-21 and she intends to avail financial assistance from SBI, by mortgaging the schedule property.

She has lost original Sale Deed dated 10-02-2016 executed by Karnataka Government Sachivalaya 4th Grade Navkar Sangha in favour of Sri. N Muniyellappa, vide document no.GNR-1-04764-2015-16, CD No.GNRD115, registered in SRO, Ganganagar, Bangalore and therefore, a Police Complaint is lodged on 08-08-2022, vide Lost Report No.0288596/2022. If anybody finds it, return the same to the below address.

If any person/s or financial institutions having any objections claims, right, title interest in respect of the schedule property may file their objections with the undersigned in the above address along with the documentary proof within **10 days** from the date of publication of this notice. Thereafter, she will proceed to avail loan from SBI without being liable for any claims put forth thereafter.

SCHEDULE

Site No.318, formed in Sy.no.81, Karnataka Government Sachivala 4th Grade Navkar Sangha Layout, Bellahalli Grama, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, BDA approved layout, Measuring east to west : 6.00 mtrs AND north to south : 9.00 mtrs, totally **54 sq mtrs** and bounded on :
East by : Site No.317; West by : Site No.319
North by : Site No.333; South by : Road.
Place : Bengaluru, Dated : 09.08.2022

Renuka R. Desai, Rohit Desai
Advocates, **Manu Law Chambers,**
No. 948/1, 2nd Main, 4th Block,
Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560 010.

UDAYA SOUHARDA CREDIT CO-OPERATIVE LTD.
Regd. Off : "Udaya Sahakara Bhavana", # 29/11, 1st Main, Mountjoy Road, Hanumanthanagar, Bengaluru - 560 019.

POSSESSION NOTICE: APPENDIX IV [RULE 8(1)]

FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY MORTGAGED TO UDAYA SOUHARDA CREDIT COOPERATIVE SOCIETY;LOAN ACCOUNT NO.02107221/30/12/2019

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorised officer of **Udaya Souharda Credit Cooperative Limited [USCCL]** under the securitisation and reconstruction of financial assets and enforcement of security interest act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the security interest (enforcement) rules 2002, issued Demand Notice dated:12/07/2021 calling upon the borrower/surety holders mentioned herein below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice **within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.**

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub section (4) of section 13 of the act read with rule 8 of the security interest (enforcement) rules,2002,on the below-mentioned date.

The borrower/surety holders in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties herein below and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **Udaya Souharda Credit Cooperative Limited** for the amount mentioned below and interest thereon. You are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the sarfasi act, 2002, you are restrained/prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above secured assets or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in ordinary course of business) of the above secured asset, without prior written consent of **USCCL.**

You are further requested to furnish all details/particulars related and regarding the below mentioned mortgaged property immediately. We may add that non-compliance with the above provision contained in section13(13) of the sarfaesi act, is an offence punishable under section 29 of the said act. The borrower/surety holders are further advised to contact and for any correspondence in this regard may be addressed to the autorized officer at the above-mentioned registered office at Bengaluru immediately.

Name of the borrower: Sri S. Sai Sukruth S/o S. Sri Harsha **Name of the surety holder(s): 1. Sri. B. Aravind Balasani** S/o B. Narasimhaswami, **2. Sri. N. Balasubramanyam** S/o N. Subba Rayadu, **Date of demond notice: 21/07/2021, Date of possession: 27/12/2021 amount in Demand Notice (Rs): Rs. 58,59,771/-** (Rupees Fifty Eight Lakhs Fifty Nine Thousnad Seven Hundered And Seventy One Rupees Only) **as on 21/07/2021 and as of dt: 03/08/2022 Rs. 68,08,785/-** (Rupees Sixty Eight Lakhs Eight Thousand Seven Hundred And Eighty Five Rupees Only) along with further interest at contractual rates on the aforesaid amount, incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc. incurred and accruing thereon on daily basis.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
Mortgage (by way of original deposit of title deeds) on:

SCHEDULE"A" PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of portion of site no.49 & 50 formed by the bangalore development authority, bearing BBMP KATHA No.67-1-49 and 67-1-50, situated at 4th Cross, Koramanagala, 5th Block, BBMP Word No.67, Bangalore, totally measuring an extent of 4800 sq ft,and bounded on: **East by :** site no.51, **West by:** Site no.48, **North by :** Private property South by : Road

SCHEDULE"B" PROPERTY : 540+540 Sq Ft Of Undivided Right, Title And Intrest In The Immovable Properties Mentioned In Schdule "A" Property.

SCHEDULE"C" PROPERTY : Item-1 all that piece and parcel of property bearing flot No.S-03 in all measuring 1865 square feet, on the 2nd floor and which is a three bedroom residential apartment situated in the building known as **'SVR GREENWOODS'**, having an undivided share of 540 sq ft,with one covered parking in the basement and bounded on: **East By:** flot No's : S-01 & S-02 **West By :** Private Properties **North By :** Road **South By** : Private Properties, In All Measuring 1865 Square Feet Constructed Flat With Car Parking Having An Undivided Share 540 Sq Feet.

Item-2 All that piece and parcel of property bearing flot no. T-3 in all measuring 1865 square feet, on the 3rd floor and which is a three bedroom residential apartment situated in the building known as **'SVR GREENWOODS'**, having an undivided share of 540 sq ft, with one covered parking in the basement and bounded on: **East By :** Flot No's : T-01 & T-02 **West By :** Private Properties **North By** : Road **South By :** Private Properties In All Measuring 1865 square feet constructed flat with car parking having an undivided share 540 sq feet.

Place : Bengaluru
Date : 03/08/2022

Sd/- Authorized Officer
For **Udaya Souharda Credit Cooperative Ltd**

Possession Notice (For Immovable Property) Rule 8-(1)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **IIFL Home Finance Limited** (Formerly known as India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.) (IIFL-HFL) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, a Demand Notice was issued by the Authorised Officer of the company to the Borrower/Co-Borrowers mentioned herein below to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has **taken possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Rules. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **IIFL HFL** for an amount as mentioned herein under with interest thereon.
"The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, If the borrower clears the dues of the **"IIFL HFL"** together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred, at any time before the date fixed for sale or transfer, the secured assets shall not be sold or transferred by **"IIFL HFL"** and no further step shall be taken by **"IIFL HFL"** for transfer or sale of the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)	Description of the Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Total Outstanding Dues (Rs.)	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession
Mr. Srinivasa G Mr. Chandrasekhar G Mrs. Lalitha A (Prospect No.908015)	All that piece and parcel of: Western half portion of Northern half portion of Site, Area admeasuring 350 Sq.ft., formed in property bearing Survey No.87/1, New Municipal No.22/1, PID No.63-42-22/1, situated at Adugodi Village, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk. **Bounded by: East:** Property belonging to Sri A Manjunath, **West:** Road, **North:** Common Passage & Northern portion of property belonging to Narasimha Reddy, **South:** House of Bhodappa.	**Rs.20,90,821/-** (Rupees Twenty Lakh Ninety Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty One Only)	09-Nov-2021	06-Aug-2022
Mr. K Krishnan Mrs. Rathna (Prospect No.899601)	All that piece and parcel of the property being: Site No.18, Katha No.689, assessment No.91-3, Measuring East to West: 20 Feet and North to South: 30 Feet in all measuring 600 Sq.ft., Rayasandra Village, Sarjapura, Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-560099, Karnataka, India. **Bounded by: East:** Site No.19, **West:** Private Property, **North:** Site No.10 & Site No.16, **South:** Road.	**Rs.16,82,305/-** (Rupees Sixteen Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Three Hundred Five Only)	18-Feb-2021	06-Aug-2022
Mr. Rajesh V K Mrs. Sandhya K R Sunny Ceramics (Prospect No.791230)	All that piece and parcel of: Flat No.303 on Second Floor in building Sri Sai Residency Situated at Sy.No.209, 210, Kengeri Village Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru-560039, Karnataka, India.	**Rs.31,77,935/-** (Rupees Thirty One Lakh Seventy Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Five Only)	02-Mar-2021	06-Aug-2022

For, further details please contact to Authorised Officer at **Branch Office:** "ADAM CHAMBERS," #11, Richmond Road, Bengaluru-560025 / or **Corporate Office:** Plot No.98, Phase-IV, Udyog Vihar, Gurgaon, Haryana.

Place: Bangalore, Date: 10.08.2022 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd.**

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER,
RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, SAMBALPUR
Tel-0663-2548268, E-mail id- serwcicrlesbp@yahoo.com
e-Procurement No. 1869 / Dated: 05.08.2022

O-802: Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Sambalpur on behalf of **Odisha State Rural Roads Agency** invites **Percentage** (%) bids through e_Procurement from eligible class of experienced bidders for construction of roads and CD works including maintenance for 5 years of rural roads under **Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak YoJana PMGSY-III, Batch-III of 2022-23.**

1	Name of work.	:	Construction of road and CD works including five year maintenance under PMGSY-III, Batch-III of 2022-23.
2	Class of Contractor.	:	As mentioned in Annexure
3	No of packages.	:	03 Nos of Package
4	Estimated cost	:	**Varies from Approx. Rs. 147.74 to Rs.443.09 Lakh (Information in DTCN will be Final)**
5	Bid submission fee.	:	Rs. 10,000/-(Non -Refundable) per set of package
6	Mode of submission of tender.	:	Only through online in website. **www.pmgsytenders.gov.in.**
7	Summary of key dates are provided below:		

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of Tender online for bidding		Last date & time for seeking clarification	Last Date and time of submission of Original documents	Date & Time of opening of tender	
		From	To			Technical Bid	Financial Bid
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural, Works Circle, Sambalpur	PMGSY-Online-RWCSBP-14/2022-23	17.08.2022 From 11.00 A.M.	30.08.2022 Up to 5.00 P.M.	26.08.2022 Up to 5.00 P.M.	06.09.2022 By 5.00 PM	02.09.2022 At 11.00 A.M.	Will be intimated later

***Special conditions** 1 -EPF registration is mandatory before drawl of agreement. 2- Rate quoted by the contractor shall be excluding GST. 3.Original Bid Security declaration form, Bid submission fee and original affidavits should be submitted at the O/o Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Sambalpur **Or O/o** Executive Engineer/Superintending Engineer of Concern Rural Works Division.
*Details can be seen from the e-procurement portal **www.pmgsytenders.gov.in**
* Subsequent modification /corrigendum / Addendum if required shall be appeared in the website only.

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer
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SALE NOTICE THROUGH PRIVATE TREATY

Sale of Immovable Secured Assets is hereby given by the **IKF Home Finance Limited (Secured Creditor)** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 Read with Rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002. The undersigned as Authorized Officer of Secured Creditor has taken over possession of the Secured Asset(s) under SARFAESI Act 2002.

Public at large in general and the borrowers/co-borrowers and guarantors in particular, are hereby informed that the secured Asset(s) as mentioned in the Schedule are put for through Private Treaty, as per the terms agree able to Secured Creditor on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis, for recovery of the dues mentioned herein below.

Loan A/c No, Borrowers Name & Address: Mr. Ashoka. A S/o. Mr. Mayanna, Co-Borrower : Mrs.Bhagya.H M, W/o. Mr.Ashoka , Both R/o at : No: 22/A, 1st Cross, Vinayaka, Layout, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560039. **Loan A/c No: LNPEE01019-200001174**
Outstanding Dues for Recovery of which Property/ies is/are Being Sold: O/s. Rs.14,74,983/-

SCHEDULE/DETAILS OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY (SECURED ASSET)

All that Piece and Parcel of the Eastern Portion of Property bearing No: 22A, Khatha No: 2/3A, New Municipal No: 22A, BBMP PID. No: 39-43-22A of 1st Cross, Nayandahalli West Layout, Nayandahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Presently within the limits of BBMP Ward No: 131, and Bounded on: **East By:** Remaining Portion of 'A' Schedule Property belonging to H.M.Raju, **West By:** Property No: 22B, **North By:** Road, **South By:** Property No: 23A.

RESERVE PRICE: Rs. 18,00,000/-

STANDARD TERMS & CONDITIONS FOR SALE OF PROPERTY THROUGH PRIVATE TREATY ARE AS UNDER

The proposed purchaser will be required to deposit, interest free, token amount of 10% of the agreed sale consideration along with his proposal and balance amount to be paid as per the agreed terms between Secured Creditor and proposed purchaser.
The proposed purchaser will be required to submit self-attested copy KYCs along with his/her proposal and execute such documents/ terms of sale as Secured Creditor may require.
In the event of failure to pay the balance sale consideration, or part thereof, as agreed, Secured Creditor will forfeit the amount already paid, at any stage.
In case of non-acceptance of offer of purchase by the Secured Creditor, the amount of 10% paid along with the proposal will be refunded to the proposed purchase without any interest.
The property is being sold with all the existing and future encumbrances whether known or unknown to the Secured Creditor. The Authorized Officer/ Secured Creditor or any of its officer shall not be responsible in any way for any third-party claims/ rights/dues.
The purchaser should conduct due diligence on all aspects related to the property (under sale through private treaty) to the best of his satisfaction. The purchaser shall not be entitled to make any claim, of any nature, against the Authorized Officer/Secured Creditor or any of its officer in this regard at a later date.
The IKFHFL reserves the right to reject any offer of purchase without assigning any reason at any time before sale of property.
In case of more than one offer, the IKFHFL will accept the highest offer.
The interested parties may contact the Authorized Officer for further details/clarifications and for submitting their application along with their self-attested KYC (Valid ID proof/ Address Proof & Pan Card copy)
The purchaser has to bear all stamp duty, registration fee, and other expenses, taxes, duties in respect of purchase of the property.
Sale shall be in accordance with the provisions of SARFAESI Act/Rules.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please contact to **Authorised Officers:**
a) Mr. Balla Karunakar Reddy - Mob. No: 7995545355.
b) Mr. Khasim Vali Shaik - Mob. No: 9492927472.

Date: 10.08.2022, Place: Hyderabad **Sd/- Authorised Officer, IKF Home Finance Ltd.**

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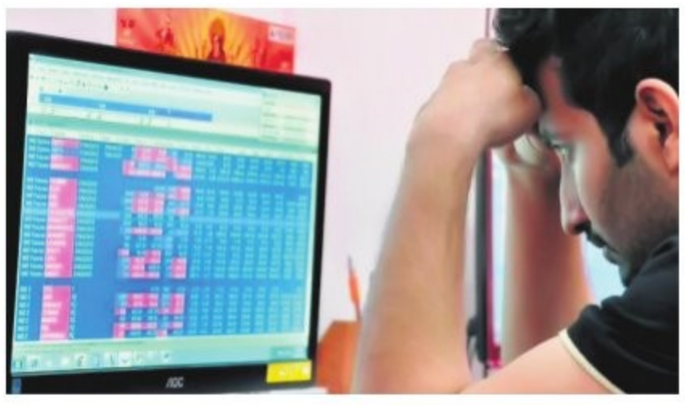
$11 bn worth of Occidental Petroleum stock this year Warren Buffett's company has bought up, giving Berkshire Hathaway control of more than 20% of the oil producer

Market could see sharp correction

Nifty trades at about 20 times FY23 estimated earnings, high valuation likely to cap rally

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi



EVEN as India's equity market has seen a strong rally in the past one-and-a-half months, it may see a correction of 15% (Nifty) if there is a mean reversion of the spread between bond yields and earnings yields, said a global investment and financial firm.

Equity market analysts also feel that it is highly unlikely that benchmark indices will surpass previous highs as valuations have become expensive.

In a report, titled the "Unconvincing Market Rally", analysts at Jefferies have pointed out that the rally has taken the yield gap to "uncomfortable levels".

"India's 10-year G-sec rate has fallen from the recent peak of 7.62% in June'22 down to 7.35%. However, the 12-month forward P/E (price to earnings) has gone up to 19.3x, driving the bond yield - earnings yield gap up to 2.2 percentage points, which is 113bps higher than average. A potential mean reversion would imply a 15% correction," the analysts noted.

On the back of increased foreign fund inflow, easing commodity prices and less hawkish stance by the US Federal Reserve when it comes to future rate hikes, India's equity market has seen a major rebound after falling sharply in early June. The benchmark indices-Sensex and Nifty- at 58,853 and 17,525 as on Monday's closing - are now in close vicinity of their all time high- 62,245 and 18,604. "Sensex and Nifty are unlikely to surpass the previous highs because valuations have become expensive and, therefore, there will be selling pressure at higher levels. Nifty is now trading at around 20 times FY23 estimated earnings. High valuation will cap the rally," said VK Vijayakumar, chief investment strategist at Geojit Financial Services.

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Deepak Jasani, head of retail research, HDFC Securities, however, says that the trajectory of the market remains up. Hence 17700-17800 on the Nifty may soon be attained and beyond that they would have to closely track the global events for predicting the Nifty levels. According to Jasani, sustained fall in commodity prices have led to inflation fears receding and this could end the rate hiking cycle soon, a big positive for equity investors.

Meanwhile, Foreign institutional investors (FIIs), who were relentless sellers from October 2021 to June 2022, have turned buyers in July and the buying momentum continues in August with net buying of ₹13, 801 crore till August 8.

ASIANOMICS

PHILIPPINES

GDP GROWTH MOMENTUM COOLS IN Q2

The Philippine economy's recovery momentum slowed in the second quarter amid high inflation, but the government is confident this year's growth target remains achievable, giving the central bank leeway to further tighten policy to curb price pressures. The Southeast Asian country's gross domestic product was 7.4% higher in the June quarter than a year earlier, growing more slowly than the downwardly revised 8.2% annual rate seen in the previous quarter. It was the slowest growth since the third quarter of 2021 but the second-fastest so far in Asia for the second quarter of 2022, Economic Planning Secretary Arsenio Balisacan said on Tuesday. "Our economy is doing relatively well," he told a media briefing, saying the second-quarter performance was still in line with this year's target for growth in full-year GDP of 6.5% to 7.5%. Balisacan attributed the second-quarter slowdown to weak agricultural production amid high input costs and to easing growth in manufacturing, which he said might also be partly due to inflationary pressures.

THAILAND

PLANS TO RAISE MINIMUM WAGE BY 5-8%

Thailand plans to raise its mininum wage for the first time in more than two years, by 5% to 8% to help workers cope with the impact of the pandemic, according to the national wage committee and the labour minister. The national wage committee expects to recommend the hike in the daily minimum wage when it meets later this month, committee member Phijit Deesui told Reuters. The daily minimum wage would be increased to between 329 baht and 353 baht ($9.19-$9.86), pending cabinet approval. The minimum wage was last hiked in January 2020, by 1.6%-1.8%. The new figures would put Thailand's monthly minimum wage – at 9,870 to 10,590 baht – among the highest in Southeast Asia. The government wants the wage increase to start later this year, rather than early next year, Labour Minister Suchart Chomklin told Reuters. In Vietnam, a regional manufacturing base, the government's minimum wage range is between 3.25 million dong ($138.96) and 4.68 million dong ($138.96-$200.10) per month.

TAIWAN

JULY EXPORTS JUMP, BUT UNCERTAINTY AHEAD

Taiwan's exports rose in July on sustained demand for technology products with shipments to China picking up, and while the government said the outlook was good for semiconductors it warned of growing uncertainly for the global economy. Exports rose 14.2% in July from a year earlier to $43.32 billion, the Ministry of Finance said on Monday, the second highest monthly figure on record and up for the 25th consecutive month. That was slightly slower than the 15.2% rise recorded in June. The ministry attributed the growth pace to strong technology demand, especially for chips ahead of the year-end holiday shopping season, with supply chain problems easing. July exports to China, Taiwan's largest trading partner, rose an annual 3% to $16.04 billion, after a 4.5% contraction in June, suggesting an easing of disruptions caused by COVID-19 outbreaks in the country. Overall exports of electronics components in July rose 15.6% to $16.96 billion, with semiconductor exports jumping 17.4% from a year earlier.

Oyo acquires Bornholmske Feriehuse

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IPO-BOUND travel and hospitality platform Oyo has acquired Denmark-based holiday home operator Bornholmske Feriehuse for an undisclosed amount.

Bornholmske Feriehuse has 737 holiday homes spread over 30 holiday parks on its platform and expects to clock more than 2.5 lakh guest nights in 2022, Oyo said in a statement on Tuesday. "Bornholm exhibits great potential for tourism in the coming years," OYO founder and Group CEO Ritesh Agarwal said. The Softbank-backed firm has presence in other European nations such as Netherlands, Belgium, Germany, Austria and Croatia.

The transaction has been carried out by the company's subsidiary DanCenter through the 'Invest in Denmark' initiative by the Danish government. Founded in 2002 by Rasmus Lund and Jacob Lund, Bornholmske Feriehuse is a full stack operator providing end-to-end solutions to homeowners.

Lund will continue as director of Bornholmske Feriehuse and will grow operations further. He said the collaboration with OYO through DanCenter gives the opportunity to keep up with demand, just as homeowners also benefit from the many online portals that DanCenter collaborates with.

Going forward, holiday homes from Bornholmske Feriehuse will become available for booking through more than 130 online portals with which DanCenter works closely, OYO said. After a prolonged delay, Oyo is expected to hit the IPO market around the Diwali festive season or early next year. The firm, which had filed papers with market regulator Sebi last year to raise Rs 8,430 crore, through an initial public offering (IPO) is now expected to reduce the offer size.

5G: AIRTEL TO COVER EVERY TOWN BY MAR '24

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TELECOM operator Bharti Airtel on Tuesday said it would cover every town and key rural areas with 5G by March 2024 and the company's 5G rollout plans for 5,000 towns is completely in place.

Airtel chief executive and managing director Gopal Vittal, talking to the analysts at the first quarter earnings call, said this (5G rollout by Airtel) will be one of the biggest rollouts in India's history.

"We intend to launch 5G starting August, extending to a pan-India rollout very soon. By March 2024, we believe we will be able to cover every town and key rural areas with 5G. In fact, detailed network rollout plans for 5,000 towns in India are completely in place," said Vittal.

India's second-largest telco Airtel spent ₹43,040 crore in 5G spectrum auction to acquire 19867.8 MHz spectrum in 900 MHz, 1800 MHz, 2100MHz, 3300 MHz and 26 GHz frequency bands. The company said it would start rolling out 5G service in August 2022 itself, thus capex will increase.

ON TRACK

5G rollout by Airtel will be one of the biggest in India's telecom history, says CEO & MD Gopal Vittal

Vittal says it intends to launch 5G starting August and extend the rollout to pan-India very soon

AIRTEL GAVE A MISS TO THE COVETED 700 MHZ AIRWAVE, WHICH CAN PROVIDE 6-10 KMS OF SIGNAL RANGE WITH ONE TOWER

Airtel spent ₹43,040 crore in 5G spectrum auction

"While our 3-year capex will remain around the same levels, this rapid rollout could see some advancing of capex on yearly basis," he added.

Unlike its competitor Reliance Jio, Airtel gave a miss to the coveted 700 MHz airwave, which can provide 6-10 kilometres of signal range with one tower, and forms a good base for 5G. However, the company defended its decision of staying away from 700 MHz. "This is a very important point to understand given the misconceptions about the 700 band and why it is a panacea to everything. It is not. The band is absolutely no different from 850 or 900 in terms of propagation. All it does is provide coverage at the edge, deep indoor or in far flung rural areas. And gives at best 4G like speeds. Nothing more," said Vittal.

Airtel's consolidated net profit for the first quarter of FY23 jumped 467% to ₹1,606.9 crore as against ₹284 crore in the year-ago period.

Sebi puts Biba Fashion public issue on hold

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THE Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) has put on hold the initial public offering (IPO) approval process of ethnic wear fashion retailer Biba Fashion, an update on the market regulator's website showed.

Not disclosing the reason for holding the IPO, Sebi said "issuance of observations kept in abeyance". The market regulator usually gives its observations on IPO papers in 30 days, which implies its approval for an IPO. The firm had filed its Draft Red Herring Prospectus (DRHP) with Sebi on April 12 to raise funds via an IPO. As per the DRHP, the IPO comprises fresh issuance of equity shares of ₹90 crore and an offer for sale (OFS) of 2.77 crore equity shares by promoter and existing investors. Promoter Meena Bindra will sell up to 37.52 lakh equity shares as a part of the OFS and private equity investors, Warburg Pincus-backed Highdell Investment and Faering Capital India Evolving Fund will sell up to 1.84 crore and 55.86 lakh equity shares, respectively.

Microsoft joins ONDC network to launch social e-comm in Indian market

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MICROSOFT on Tuesday joined government's Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) to introduce social e-commerce in the Indian market. It is the first big technology company to do so.

The tech major also plans to launch a shopping app in the country that will allow buyers to discover the best price offered by retailers and sellers. The app would be available on the ONDC network.

"It is a win-win for both buyers and sellers as it will enable them to connect without dependency on any e-commerce solution," a Microsoft spokesperson said in a statement.

The Open Network for Digital Commerce aims at democratising the Indian e-commerce landscape, creating a level-playing field for all players.

There are over 4,000 small and big e-commerce companies in India, 500 logistics companies that deliver goods from the portals to customers, and more than 20,000 companies that provide services through e-commerce including travel, hotels, etc, according to industry watchers.

The companies that have joined ONDC include delivery start-up Dunzo for Business (D4B), Go Frugal, Paytm, Digit, PhonePe and Loadshare. E-commerce platform Snapdeal will also debut on ONDC this month.

Snapdeal will launch three main product categories on ONDC this August comprising fashion, home, and beauty and personal care, it had earlier said. According to a recent report by the Indian Brand Equity Foundation (IBEF), the Indian e-commerce sector is projected to grow at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 19.24% from $46.20 billion in 2020 to $111.40 billion by 2025.

'Do not panic, take right decision,' WazirX tells its users

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

CRYPTO exchange WazirX has asked its users not to panic and that they should take the right decision. "WazirX has a framework for complying with the TDS(tax deducted at source) as per government notification. Your funds are safe with us," the crypto exchange said.

This comes at a time when many of its users are opting for withdrawal. "In light of recent developments, we have noticed that users are opting to withdraw their funds to international exchanges. However, in the process, they may unknowingly be non-compliant. International exchanges don't have TDS frameworks in place," the crypto exchange said.

Since July 1, transfer of VDAs (virtual digital assets) such as cryptos have been attracting 1% TDS under section 194S of the Income tax Act.

Ever since the Enforcement Directorate (ED) froze the crypto exchange's assets worth ₹64.67 crore, and it raised questions on ownership of WazirX, investors have been worried about their funds. Binance, the largest crypto exchange, has disowned WazirX and also ceased off-chain fund transfer between the exchange and WazirX.

Off-chain transactions are processed outside the blockchain. When asked how this off-chain fund transfer affects users, Edul Patel, CEO and co-founder, Mudrex, a crypto investment platform, said converting crypto to fiat currency such as INR would bring them under the regulatory purview of taxes. It is the same as with other financial assets such as stocks or bonds. WazirX, in a statement, on Tuesday clarified that off-chain transactions between WazirX and Binance can only be done by a user between their own account on the two platforms. Hence, know your customer (KYC) details are available for all off-chain transfers as well.

WazirX is a platform co-operated by Zanmai Labs and Binance. Zanmai Labs has a no-tolerance policy towards any illegal activities using WazirX, said the exchange.

"For every transaction, we are able to produce the KYC details of the relevant user. We do not accept any cash transactions... ED appears to be investigating the transactions of certain users and Zanmai Labs has no affiliation to such users and is unaware about the purpose of their transactions," it added.

Fintech funding up 3x, digital lending to grow to $515 billion by 2030, says report

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

FINTECH funding in India has recorded a 3x jump in 2021, and over $1 billion in investments were made in digital lending. The digital lending market is expected to grow to $515 billion in book size by 2030, said a report by Chiratae Ventures and Ernest and Young (EY).

The report highlighted that in the future, co-lending will emerge as a marketplace model that supports lending partners to mitigate their risk exposure. Easy market entry and targeted loan offerings due to the availability of large sets of customer data are major growth drivers of digital lending.

It also said the Indian fintech market is expected to record a 10x growth and to achieve $1 trillion in Assets Under Management (AUM) and $200 billion in revenue. Titled '$1 Tn India FinTech Opportunity', the report said India is the largest fintech ecosystem, and is home to 21 fintech unicorns. P2P lending, SME financing and short-term credit models are gaining strong momentum. BNPL (Buy Now, Pay Later) is revolutionising B2B credit and adding significant value to the B2B e-commerce space. BNPL contributed to 37% of retail digital lending banks by volume in FY20.

P2P lending, SME financing to grow

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"Digital currency, using blockchain and other technologies, is planned to be issued by the RBI, starting 2022-23. However, CBDC (Central Bank Digital Currency) is yet to be introduced and its significance in payments will evolve over time," it said. Sudhir Sethi, founder and Chairperson, Chiratae Ventures, said, "Indian fintech market has been a formidable global force, contributing to the largest share of unicorns in India." Global metaverse is still nascent with a significant runaway ahead, fintech firms have started to innovate to tap into business opportunities exploring various use cases. New asset classes, crypto and NFT will also continue to attract investor interest as fintech firms continue to solve for traditionally underserved customers, the report added.

Q1FY23 EARNINGS

PowerGrid PAT falls 37% to ₹3,801 crore

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PowerGrid Corporation of India on Tuesday reported a 36.63% fall in consolidated profit after tax (PAT) to ₹3,801.19 crore for the first quarter of financial year 2022-23(Q1FY23) compared to a PAT of ₹5,998.28 crore in the same quarter last year.

Total income of the company was at ₹11,169 crore for Q1FY23, which is 7% higher compared to 10,392 crore in the Q1 of the previous year, the company said in a statement. The company incurred a capital expenditure of ₹1,482 crore and capitalised assets worth ₹1,345 crore (excluding adjusted for foreign exchange rate variation) on consolidated basis during Q1FY23.

Hospitality industry stages strong recovery in April-June quarter of FY23

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Driven by rise in demand for weddings, leisure travel and recovery in corporate travel; the Indian hospitality sector witnessed a strong growth in Q1FY2023 (April-June).

The industry's revenue per available room (RevPAR), a measure of a hotel's ability to fill its available rooms at an average rate, witnessed an exponential growth of 339.3 % year-on-year (YoY) in Q1FY23 over last year's Covid-hit low-base quarter and 44.6% growth compared to Q4FY22, according to a report issued by consultancy firm JLL. Domestic operators dominated signings over international operators with a ratio of 52:48 in terms of inventory volume.City-wise Bengaluru emerged as the RevPAR growth leader in Q1 FY23, registering a growth of 660.1% over Q1FY22, followed by Goa and Hyderabad with a YoY growth of 564.5% and 326%, respectively.

"We expect this momentum to continue over the next few quarters on the back of long weekends, festivals, weddings, events, and business travel evenly contributing to this growth story" said Jaideep Dang, Managing Director, Hotels and Hospitality Group, South Asia, JLL.

Top players such as Indian Hotels and ITC had a stellar April -June quarter. ITC's hotel business revenue jumped three-fold to ₹580 crore in Q1F23 with an average room rate and occupancy surpassing pre-Covid levels. For Tata Group promoted Indian Hotels, Q1FY23 performance was the best ever in their history. Its revenue in Q1FY23 stood at ₹1267 crore, up from ₹345 crore in the year-ago quarter. Its profit was at ₹180 crore against a loss of ₹301.5 crore in Q1FY22. Puneet Chhatwal, MD & CEO of IHCL, said, "We will build portfolio of 300 hotels, clock 33% EBITDA margin and 35% EBITDA share contribution from new businesses and management fees by FY26."

We want to create our bench strength: Rohit

With cricket being played round the year, India captain Rohit Sharma feels having a solid bench strength is paramount, and the team is striving to build one with an eye on the future. Since their group-stage exit in the last T20 World Cup, India have been experimenting with their squads, with injury and workload management also playing a part in it.

> I played an extremely good game. I completely outplayed my opponent, and then a moment of madness. We could have had a great chance of gold medal if I had won or drawn it. But these things happen. It is a great learning experience for me
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> D Gukesh, India GM

GUKESH RUES MOMENT OF MADNESS

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"IF I'm going to kill myself, I am going to do it after the last round." That was what D Gukesh was thinking to himself after his loss to Nodirbek Abdusattorov in the 10th round of the chess Olympiad on Monday. The loss cost India B dearly. If Gukesh had won or drawn the game — he was in control of proceedings till the end game — the tie would have gone in their favour. It would have also put them in the perfect spot to seal gold in the 11th round.

After Gukesh & Co expectedly beat Germany on the final day to win bronze ahead of the senior Indian team, the 16-year-old, who had cried while leaving the venue on Monday, called it 'as a moment of madness' and 'stupid'. But he was also mindful of his performance in a campaign that has shown that he can mix and match with the best. He beat the likes of Fabiano Caruana, Alexei Shirov and Gabriel Sargissian while drawing the likes of Shakhriyar Mamedyarov. All of the above-mentioned names are at least 14 years his senior and are more experienced in dealing with pressure situations.

This wasn't lost on the teenager who finished with nine points from a possible 11, the best performance by an Indian in this Olympiad. "Overall, it's been a very enjoyable event," he said. "The performance has been special. I did not expect to play so well, but it could easily have been better. Yesterday (Monday), I played an extremely good game. I completely outplayed my opponent, and then a moment of madness. We could have had a great chance of gold medal if I had won or drawn it. But these things happen. It is a great learning experience for me."

The biggest learning he picked up from the Olympiad is falling short on time. "Against Abdusattorov, I had a completely winning position. But I was spending a lot of time trying to find the best move. I got into time trouble eventually. That is something that has already happened to me. I repeated the same mistake, which was quite stupid."

He felt slightly better about himself after Viswanathan Anand, team mentor, paid them a visit. "Anand tried to cheer me up," he said. "He said these things have happened a lot of times in his career. He was showing examples of the times he lost from winning positions. I felt better after that. That such a great player has also gone through the things that I am going through."

Gukesh also quashed suggestions that he had lost a bit of his sharpness after playing in 100 rounds. If anything, he claimed that it helped him. "I don't think playing all 11 games affected me. It only helped me because I got into the flow from the start of the event. I scored 8/8, and to rest me would have been quite a bad decision. If someone is in such great form, it is usually better to keep going. One minute of complete madness and the team's whole chances are gone. But a lot of things went my way. I won against Caruana and overall, I should not be complaining."

Gukesh also lavished praise on his coach, Vishnu Prasanna, who has worked with him for the last five years. One of the unorthodox things they do is focus on the mental aspect. Gukesh recognised this as an important facet of their training sessions. "My coach has been a tremendous support for the last five years. He has really improved my game and the psychological aspect of the game as well. We talk a lot about how to handle myself during tournaments. That has really improved my mental stability."

Apart from that 'one moment of madness', Gukesh, making his over-the-board Olympiad debut, demonstrated that throughout the tournament, including in big clashes against some of the best players. The end result? His live ratings stand at 2725.2, an increase of 26.2 points across the 11 rounds. It's the best jump by an elite player featuring at the Olympiad.

BOARD PRIZES OPEN

1st board: 1 D Gukesh, 2 Nodirbek Abdusattorov, 3 Magnus Carlsen

2nd board: 1 Nihal Sarin, 2 Nikolao Theodorou, Yakubboev, 3 Nodirbek

3rd board: 1 David Howell, 2 Arjun Erigaisi, 3 R Praggnanandhaa

4th board: 1 Jakhongir Vakhidov, 2 Paulius Pultinevicius, 3 Jaime Santos Latas

5th board: 1 Mateusz Bartel, 2 Robert Hovhannisyan, 3 Volodymyr Onyshchuk

WOMEN

1st board: 1 Pia Cramling, 2 Eline Roebers, 3 Zhansaya Abdumalik

2nd board: 1 Nino Batsiashvili, 2 Anna Muzychuk, 3 Khanim Balajayeva

3rd board: 1 Oliwia Kiolbasa, 2 Anna Ushenina, 3 R Vaishali

4th board: 1 Bat-Erdene Mungunzul, 2 Maria Malicka, 3 Tania Sachdev

5th board: 1 Jana Schneider, 2 Ulviyya Fataliyeva, 3 Divya Deshmukh

WOMEN (ONLY TOP-THREE)

COUNTRY	MP	TIE-BREAK
UKRAINE	18	413.5
GEORGIA	18	392
INDIA A	17	396.5

OPEN

COUNTRY	MP	TIE-BREAK
UZBEKISTAN	19	435
ARMENIA	19	382.5
INDIA B	18	427.5

Gaprindashvili Cup (best federation, overall)

TEAM RANKSUM

1 INDIA A 07

2 USA 09

3 INDIA B 11

India B comprising Gukesh, Praggu, Nihal, Raunak defeat Germany comfortably to clinch bronze medal ahead of much fancied US

GOOD KNIGHTS

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ADHIBAN B, Nihal Sarin and Raunak Sadhwani pulled an all-nighter after the 10th round of the Olympiad on Monday. Sarin kept sending the group motivational quotes on WhatsApp till midnight. When he finally decided to get some sleep it was 4.00 am, six hours before the last round of games against Germany. Adhiban, the only member of this team who had won a bronze in a previous over-the-board Olympiad (2014), and Sadhwani played table tennis till midnight. One of the other members of the group, R Praggnanandhaa, took the decision to avoid social media completely. The focus was purely on returning with a medal. These were some of the things that this uber-young team did the night before one of the most important mornings of their young adult lives.

Against Germany, their game faces were truly on. There was no hangover of the disappointments of the previous evening. The two players with black pieces, D Gukesh and Praggnanandhaa, drew knowing full well that Sarin and Sadhwani were winning with white pieces. In the end, it was academic as both of them completed routine wins to help India B to a comfortable 3-1 win. As soon as they had won that tie, they knew they had won bronze, ahead of more illustrious opponents, US, as well as compatriots, India A.

While this might be a surprise — India B were seeded 11th for starters — scratch the surface and it immediately starts to make sense. Everybody that mattered at the Olympiad held the Indian teenagers in very high regard. Levon Aronian called India the 'future of chess' in part because of the presence of multiple wunderkinds at one time. Even before coming to the Olympiad, world No 1 Magnus Carlsen had said 'India B scares me more than India A'. It's because of the way they play. They have no previous baggage, they aren't scared to try new things and are well versed in every aspect of the game. Take for instance Praggnanandhaa's endgame with a rook and pawn against Uzbekistan's Javokhir Sindarov on Monday. It's an endgame contained in the '100 Endgames you must know: Vital lessons for every chess player'. It's such a complicated endgame that the author (GM Jesus de la Villa) simply wrote '... the winning sequence is too long to learn by heart'.

(left) India B coach RB Ramesh. (right) R Praggnanandhaa, B Adhiban, D Gukesh and Nihal Sarin who were part of the India B team that finished third at Olympiad | EXPRESS

Armenia's Gabriel Sargissian, who inspired his country to a silver in the open section, is another who had a twinkle in eyes when speaking about the teenagers. "I don't want to speak about Gukesh alone," he told this daily. "You guys have Gukesh, Praggnanandhaa, Nihal, Erigaisi... it's such a lot of talent at one point in time," Sargissian, whose only loss in the Olympiad came at the hands of Gukesh, continued.

For all the undoubted talent, it could still have gone pear-shaped if a few results hadn't gone their way. This is where Praggnanandhaa's role in the last few rounds helped the team. He himself alluded to it in a conversation with ChessBase India's YouTube channel minutes after the final round. "I enjoyed playing as a team," he said. "First half (of the tournament) didn't go well for me. Played some shaky moves, game against Yannick Pelletier (second round, Switzerland) was the toughest. Then I lost to Santos (Jaime Latasa, third round, Spain) without a fight. The rest really helped me as I got two days to rejuvenate."

Post that rest, the 16-year-old came back a different player, winning both his games with white apart from solid draws apart from picking a solid draw with black against US' Wesley So.

On the same channel, Adhiban, who became the first Indian player to win two over-the-board Olympiad medals, threw some light on their preparations against Germany. "Raunak played two amazing games," he said. "Raunak and I were playing TT till midnight. Our plan was not to sleep the entire night." He also revealed that both Anand and his wife, Aruna, helped out in innumerable ways. "Whenever we needed, Vishy was always there despite his busy schedule. Aruna was handling the logistics, like the internet."

Erigaisi next Indian to breach 2700

Arjun Erigaisi became the latest Indian teenager to breach the 2700 ELO club. Thanks to his win over US' Leinier Perez Dominguez, the 19-year-old now has 2702.2 points.

War zone to top of the podium, Ukraine women call for peace

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AS Ukraine's national anthem echoed around the Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium late on Tuesday night, it was quite hard not to get lost in the moment. Even in peacetime, their anthem is very powerful. After the invasion of Russia, it has attained greater meaning. The rough English translation of some of the lines are: "Upon us fellow Ukrainians, fate shall smile once more. Our enemies will vanish like dew in the sun. We will lay down our souls and bodies to attain our freedom. We will not let others rule in our motherland."

Nobody needs a reminder as to what the country has gone through since the full-scale invasion of Russia in February. That the Ukraine women's team occupied the top spot in the podium was in itself a miracle because like many people who call Ukraine their home, the players themselves have suffered untold trauma and devastation.

Take for instance, Anna Ushenina. Playing third board for the team, the undefeated 36-year-old won an individual silver apart from a team gold. She doesn't even know if she can go back to show her medal to her friends, some of whom are still in Kharkiv, a city that's very close to Russia. "I don't think it will change the war," she said when asked what this gold means for her country. "Not very clear if I will be able to go back home to Kharkiv." Both her family and she have had to move cities since the shelling began in February.

When the team assembled in Chennai in July for the Olympiad, what worked for them was that a few of them had managed to get some sort of preparation going, amid the invasion. They also had prior history of winning big tournaments. Ushenina herself is the former winner of the Women's World Championship in 2012.

Apart from her, they also had in their ranks the famed Muzychuk sisters, Anna and Mariya.

The Ukraine team which won gold in the women's category stand atop the podium at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Chennai on Tuesday | R SATISH BABU

While the latter became women's champion in 2015, Anna has won several world titles in the shorter formats. Both of them are GMs, with ratings above 2520. It made Ukraine strong contenders to finish on the podium places. Their team, in fact, was one of the few sides that had three GMs in the women's line-up. They also had a very strong fourth board, Nataliya Buksa. On Tuesday, all of them contributed to beat Poland 3-1 to take the title from under India's noses.

Fundraiser campaign

It's also poetic that the Muzychuk sisters and Ushenina were involved in this triumph because they were one of the first to look out for the interests of fellow chess players in their country following the invasion.

On Women's Day in March, they got together to hold a fundraising marathon for the country. FIDE themselves carried the item. "A series of events aiming to support Ukrainian chess players and their families affected by the war were held on International Women's Day, by the FIDE Commission for Women's Chess together with Chess24."

Of course, Anna and Mariya, too, had to flee their base, the city of Lviv. In a gut-wrenching interview with chessbase, she described that account. The journey took them from Poland, Germany and Spain.

At the Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium in Chennai on Tuesday, that journey provided Anna, Mariya and the team's three other members with some respite as they were crowned women's champions for only the second time in the country's history.

Ultimately, though, like Ushenina said, sport can never be a substitute for real life. She kept repeating three words inside the media centre on Tuesday. "I want peace".

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Countdown to retirement has started, says Serena

AFP @ Paris

US TENNIS great Serena Williams announced on Tuesday that "the countdown has begun" to her retirement from the sport. Williams, 40, won the last of her 23 Slams at the 2017 Australian Open when she was already pregnant with daughter, Olympia.

However, she has failed to add a 24th major which would take her level with Margaret Court's all-time record.

Her final attempt will come at the US Open in New York later this month.

"There comes a time in life when we have to decide to move in a different direction," she said on Instagram.

"That time is always hard when you love something so much. My goodness do I enjoy tennis. But now, the countdown has begun.

"I have to focus on being a mom, my spiritual goals and finally discovering a different, but just exciting Serena. I'm gonna relish these next few weeks." Williams stepped onto a hardcourt for the first time in a year and a half on Monday in the WTA Toronto tournament where she reached the second round with a straight sets victory over Spaniard Nuria Parrizas Diaz. It was her first singles victory since the 2021 French Open, 14 months ago.

AUSTRALIAN OPEN: 7 (2003, 2005, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2015, 2017)
FRENCH OPEN: 3 (2002, 2013, 2015)
WIMBLEDON: 7 (2002, 2003, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2015, 2016)
US OPEN: 6 (1999, 2002, 2008, 2012, 2013, 2014)

The former world number one had played her first singles match in a year following a lengthy injury layoff during a first round defeat at Wimbledon in June.

Earlier on Tuesday, Williams wrote in the September edition of Vogue magazine where she featured on the cover that she was "evolving away" from the sport after the US Open.

IN FOCUS

Centre moves SC for modification of AIFF order

NEW DELHI: The Centre has moved the Supreme Court seeking modification of its August 3 order passed concerning elections for the executive committee of All India Football Federation and inclusion of ex-players in the electoral college saying FIFA and Asian Football Confederation (AFC) have "strong reservations in the member structure of AIFF ". The application filed by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports said, "it is respectfully submitted that the membership structure in the order dated August 3, 2022, appears to be not meeting the approval of FIFA/AFC, which aspect, if not resolved with the modification in the aforesaid order dated August 3, may defeat the very purpose for which such exercise was so kindly initiated by this court". The Centre sought modification of the order dated August 3, to the extent of stating that interim arrangement of elections to the executive committee of the AIFF be held as per the time schedule already indicated in the order and "on the basis of the pre-existing membership structure of the AIFF".

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client **Mrs. K. SHAHANAZ**, aged about 60 years, W/o Sri. K. Ameer Basha, residing at No. 11-293, Ajad Street, Kadiri, Ananthapur, Andhrapradesh 515591, Aadhaar No. 5502 6529 5219, has negotiated to purchased the schedule property from **Sri S.R. Rumman**, aged about 40 years, S/o S. Abdul Rasheed, Aadhaar No.9222 0374 8791, residing at Rasheed Manzil No.7, Infantry Road Cross, Shivajinagar, Bangalore. If anybody having objections or claims for the aforesaid schedule property may lodge their objections with the undersigned in writing with supporting documents **within 15 (FIFTEEN) Days** from the date of this notice any objections received thereafter will not be binding on my client with the undersigned otherwise our client will conclude the deal.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property being a Residential Vacant Site bearing No. 72, Assessment No.67 of Khatha No. 72/67 situated at **'SANA ENCLAVE'**, Sathnur Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, measuring East to West 40-0 feet and North to South 30-0 feet, totally measuring 1200 Square feet bounded on : East by : Road, West by : Site No. 65, North by : Road, South by : Site No. 71.

(Mrs. K. SHAHANAZ)
Mobile No. 9676 186515

SHIVANNA, Advocate
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Ph: (M) 9901507257
Bangalore, Date: 09-08-2022

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for the information of General public that my client Sri J. Santhosh Son of Sri R. Jaipal residing at No. 2/1, 2nd Cross, 6th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560 010 has lost the registered Original Possession Certificate dated : 17.09.1973, Original Agreement dated : 21.09.1975 and registered as document No.2900/1975-76 of Book- I Volume No.210 at Pages 173, In the office of the Sub-Registrar, Rajajinagar, Bangalore and original Sale Deed and registered as document No.2966/1986-87 of Book-I, Volume No.765 at Pages 68, dated: 03.12.1986 in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Rajajinagar, Bangalore, at the time of travelling my two wheeler I was lodge by police complaint vide reference No.0286851/2022.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and Parcel of property being Residential Site bearing Municipal No.63/17, PID No.23-2-17, BDA No.63, situated at 59th B Cross, 4th N Block, Rajajinagar, now comes under BBMP Limits, Bangalore, measuring East to West (34.6+52.6)/2 Feet and North to South (60.3+52.3)/2 Feet in all totally measuring 2455 Square Feet along with RCC Roofing building 12 Squares constructed in Ground Floor, 12 Squares constructed in First Floor and 10 Squares constructed in Second Floor with brick and cement walls, RCC Roofing wood windows, wooden doors, vitrified flooring with electricity, water and sanitary facility and bounded on the:-

East by : Drainage, West by : Road, North by: Road and South by: Property No.64

B. Dinesh, Advocate
No. 16, 1st Floor, Padmavathi Arcade, N.R. Colony, Bangalore - 560 019.
Mob: 9448505446

IN THE COURT OF XI ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH.8)

P & SC. No. 101 / 2022

BETWEEN: SRI G.V. NAGARAJ, S/o. Late. G.S. Venkatesh Setty, Aged about 64 years, Residing at No.251, 4th Main Road, Kempegowda Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 019. **...PETITIONER**

AND: NIL ...RESPONDENT

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above named petitioner has filed a petition under section 372 of Indian Succession Act, praying for grant of Successions Certificate in favour petitioner on the basis of the Will executed by Smt. Muddulakshmamma, who she is none other than mother's sister of the petitioner, Will dated 4.1.2016 Smt. Muddulakshmamma died on 31st July, 2019. which are morefully described in the schedule of the petition.

Any person having their objection/s for issue of Succession Certificate in respect of the schedule in favour of the Petitioner and any person having interest may cause the same by appearing before the court (CCH.08) in person or through their Advocate **on this 07.09.2022 at 11.00 AM** failing which the matter will be heard and disposed off in accordance with law.

MOVABLES SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

All that piece and parcel of the movable which are kept in the different banks like safe deposit locker at Union Bank of India, C.T. Street Branch, Bengaluru bearing A/c. No.201-767598 (2) Corporation Bank, Chamarajpet Branch, Benglauru-18 and (3) Lakshmi Vilas, Bank, Basavanagudi, Gandhi Bazaar, Bengaluru-560 004, in favour of the Registered Trust by name and style as Smt. Muddulakshmamma & T.L. Venkataramaiah Setty Seva Trust and also if any Registered immovable documents which was kept in the above said lockers.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Hon'ble Court on 30.07.2022.

By Order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore

SRI G.N. RAMESH, Advocate
No.39/2, 3rd Floor, ASVNV Bhavana, Opp: SBI Head Office, K.G. Road, Bengaluru - 560 009. Phone: 9900947474

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that my client Smt. Kavya B Sridhar W/o Sridhar.S, residing at No.556. 7th A main Road, Hig Colony, near SLK Software, RMV Extension 2nd stage, Bangalore-560094 intending purchase the below mentioned schedule property from its owners Sri, Gurunatha Panibhathe Layout, T.Dasarahalli, Bangalore-560057 and Sri. Ashoka Banibhathe, Late Parashurama Panibhathe, residing at No.70/1, 6th main road, near Sharadamma Temple, Bahubalinagara, Jalahalli Village, Bangalore-560013 having acquired under Parikathhu Yaa partition deed dated 18/8/1998

If any person/s have any right, title and interest in the schedule property prejudicial to the interest of the "other party" and who have already filed any suit, objection, claim., appeal or obtain any decree concerning the schedule property to submit all their claims, objections in writing along with documentary proofs thereof, to the under signed within 15 days from the date of publication this notice, failing which "my clint" will presume that no adverse claims or objections concerning the schedule property exist or if they do exist, they stand waived here in after and in such evevnt my client will proceed to complete the transaction of sale as envised by both the parties. So please do note.

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All that part and parcel of the site bearing No.184, Katha No. PR/168/19-20 formed by HMT Employees House Building Co-Operative Society Ltd, Nagasandra Village- Nelakadarenahalli village in Sy Nos 1/3A, 48/1, 2, 49,50/ 2 TO 50/5, 51/8. 52/1. 53/1, 53/2, 54/1 to 54/10, 55/1 55/1,2A,3A. 3,4 & 4.64,66,67/3 of Nagasandra Village and Sy. Nos 5/1, 5/2, 6/7 to 6/10, 7, 8/1, 8/2, 9/1, 9/2, 9/3, 10/1, 10/2, 11/1, 11/2, 11/3, 12/1, 12/2, 12/3, 12/4, 12,5. 13/1 of Nelakadarenahalli village in all measuring 129 acre 34 guntas, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently coming under BBMP, Chokkasandra Ward No.39, measuruing East to West 40 feet or 12.19 meters and North to South 60 feet or 18.28 meters in all 2400 square feet or 222.83 square meters and bounded as follows
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Date 8/8/2022

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(Under Rule 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

The under mentioned parties are hereby informed that the Company has initiated proceedings against each of you under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, that the notices under Section 13(2) of the Act sent to each of you separately by Regd. Post Ack. Due have been returned unserved. Hence both of you are hereby called upon to take notice to pay jointly and severally the outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the Company will proceed against the below mentioned properties to realize its dues with interests and costs as contemplated under the Act. Needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other remedy available to the Company.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of Borrower & Co-Borrowers	File No. Amount (Outstanding Rs.)	Description of Immovable Property
1	**Mr. Madhusudan H G (Borrower),** No 4 Shivasadana, 1st A Main Road HIG 1st Stage, KHB Colony, Basaveswaranagar, Bangalore - 560079 **Mrs. Nethravathi B (Co–Borrower) Mr. Chandrashekar Mathru (Guarantor)**	**File No. BJN20200080, Rs. 1675948/-** (+ Interest @ 24% p.a. From **28.02.2022**) + Future Interest + Statutory Expenditure + Legal Expenses + Incidental Charges	All that piece and parcel of residential flat/apartment bearing No. 2002, in Block number A1 at 20th Floor in the apartment building known as VBHC PALM HAVEN - 2 (Block A), with a carpet area of 354.03 Square Feet along with undivided share of 0.00044% in land bearing Survey numbers 25, 28/1, 28/2, 29/4, 29/9, 29/6, 29/7, 29/13, 29/10, 29/14, 29/15, 29/11, 29/12 and 32/1A, situated at Doddabele Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore.

for SUNDARAM HOME FINANCE LTD., Authorised officer.

Government of Karnataka

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NO. EE/PDRCR/SDP/Short Term Tender/2022-23/418 Dt: 05-08-2022

SHORT TERM TENDER

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, EE Project Division Karnataka Rural Road Development Agency-Raichur, invites Item Rate Tenders in Raichur District through e-procurement under SDP-2017-18 (Saving Amount) fund (As per guidelines of KW-3). Calendar of Events of tendering is as follows.1. EMD As per e-proc portal 2. Name of work & Indent No. Indent No.5502- Improvements of Road From Lingadalli to SH 0.00 to 3.30 (SCP), (working Ch: 2.1 to 4.57 km) Lingadalli to SH 3.30 to 5.30 (Gen.) (working Ch: 4.57 to 5.47 km) in Deodurga taluka .3. Accessing the bid document on e-procurement portal from 16-08-2022 4. Last date for online submission of Technical Bids 23-08-2022 (16.00 Hours) 5. Opening of Technical Bid 24-08-2022 (16:30 Hours) 6. Opening of Financial Bid Will be intimated later on 7. Contractor Category Class-I 8. For Information Executive Engineer, Project Division, Raichur. 9. For Further details https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

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Project Division, Raichur

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NOTICE TO BORROWER & GUARANTOR (UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002)

BOB:OVERSEAS/NPA/REC/ **Date : 25.04.2022**

Dear Sir/s/Madam,

Re: Credit facilities with our OVERSEAS BRANCH, BANGALORE,
in the name of M/S BESTOVO FOODS PVT LTD,

1. We refer to our letter No.ROBN/CW/DGMLCC/SKU/14044/10/2016-17 dated 29-09.2016 conveying sanction of various credit facilities and the terms of sanction. Pursuant to the above sanction you have availed and started utilising the credit facilities after providing security for the same, as hereinafter stated. The present outstanding in various loan/ credit facility accounts and the security interests created for such liability are as under:

Name & address of the Borrower/Guarantor: M/s. Bestovo Foods Pvt Ltd, Unit No 114 , Ground Floor Oxford Tower , Municipal No 139, Old Airport Road, Kodihalli, Bengaluru -560008. **Factory :** Survey No 47/3, Achar Thimmapur Village, Koppal Taluk & District, Karnataka. **(1) Mr. Vikram Jagmohan** S/o. Sri. N. JaganMohan, Plot No 41 , Ist cross , Ashwini Layout, Ejipura, Bangalore - 560047. **(2) Mr. Yashwanth Krishna** S/o. P. Surendranath, Plot No 396/1, 5, 6th Main, 7th Cross, Duo Heights Layout, Begur, Bangalore - 560068. **(3) Mr. Gopal C Gangoor,** S/o. Late Chandrashekharappa, (Residential house) No.3, Khata No. 973 , New PID No. 026 W 0655-25 situated at Kowdenahalli Village, K. R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore - 560037. **(4) Mr. Nihith Krishna .P** S/o P Surendranath, Plot No 396, 6th Main , 7th Cross , Duo Heights Layout , Begur, Bangalore - 560068. **(5) Sri. P C Gopinath,** S/o Sri P Chandrasekhar and **Smt Sridevi Gopinath** wife of Sri P C Gopinath, Plot No 2440, Heritage Way, Union City CA, **also at,** Door No 4/1738/2, A Block , Durganagar Colony, Greamspet, Chittoor, AP-517002.

Nature & Type of facility	Limit	Rate of Interst	O/s as on 25.04.2022 (inclusive of interest up to 31.08.2021)	Security agreement with brief description of securities
Cash Credit A/c No 67630500000033	1,25,00,000/-	1Year MCLR + 4.25% (Floating) which is 13.70 % as per original sanction . Now ROI is 1.50+1 Year MCLR = 9.85%with Monthly Rest Present MCLR Being 8.35%	**Rs. 1,38,44,391.32**	Various security & Financial documents executed by borrower & Guarantor(s) and 1) Hyp of Stocks and Book Debts 2) Hyp Of Plant & Machinery 3) Mortgage created by way of deposit of title deeds dated 07/11/2016 and 16-11-2016 (The Details of such secured asset is as under)
Term Loan A/c No 67630600000106	6,50,00,000/-		**5,54,74,872.93**	
WCTL (Principle Overdue in the Existing T/L) A/c No 67630600000107	23,67,000/-		**21,23,360.26**	
FITL (Interest Overdue in Existing T/L) A/c No 67630600000154	19,41,000/-		**16,07,107.72** Plus interest and Expenses from 01.09.2021 to the date of realization of Bank's dues	
TOTAL	**Rs.7,30,49,732.23 (Rupees Seven Crores Thirty lacs forty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Two and paise Twenty Three only) Plus interest and Expenses from 01.09.2021 to the date of realization of Bank's dues**			

Details of secured Asset: A) Hyp Of Stocks and Book Debts including all current assets of Company

B) Hypothecation of Plant & Machineries viz., Sifter, Boiler TFH Coil, Boiler Accessories, Chimney, Heat Exchange, ETP, Air Compressor, 11 KV Line, Electrical Panel, DG 125KVA, Transformer-500 KVA, SS Tanks, SS CIP Magnet, Cold room Sifter, Cold Room Powder Store, Cold Room Egg Store, Hand Pallet Trucks- 3 No's, Lab Equipment's, Water Tanks – 10 KLX2No's, 2000 Egg Trays, Virgin Plastic, 100 Pallets, Building Construction, 4 GPM pasteurizer System Whole Egg Products, Spray Dryer Specification etc

C) (DETAILS OF MORTGAGED SECURED ASSET/S) (I) The property Belongs to by M/s Bestovo Foods Pvt. Ltd, All that piece & Parcel of Property situated at Achar Thimmapur Village , Koppal Taluk , Koppal District in the Sy No 47/2 to the extent of 17 acres 22 Guntas out of which 3 acrs land , now Survey No 47/3 as per permission issued by DC Koppal vide its order No KA:KLR:43:2015-16 , No 20045/1858 dated 21/05/2016 measuring on East to West : 100mts (North Side Kanakgiri Road) South Side : 103.63 mts. North to South : 110 Mtrs (West side P), East : 130 mtrs, In all measuring 12217.2 Sq Mtrs bearing portion of Survey Number situated in Sy No 47/2 now Sy No 47/3 in Achar Thimmapur Village , Irakalgod Hobli , Koppal Taluk Koppal District and bounded on East : Remaining Portion of Sy No 47/2, West : Land in Sy No 48, North By : Road (Kanakgiri Road), South : Remaining part of Sy No 47/2.

(II) The property Belongs to Sri Vikram Jaganmohan All that piece & Parcel of Site no. 89, khata No 1310/89 , E-Khata No 150200101200301380 formed in land bearing Sy No 190/P4 to P10, P12 to P14, , P16, P-18, P-19 , P-22 to P-24 , P-27,P-32, , P-36 to P-38 , P-44 , P-46 , P-47 & P-49 in the layout named as NRI's Centre City, situated at Ballur Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal , Bengaluru Total Area -3400 Sq Ft & Bounded on East : Private Property, West : 30 Ft Road, North By : Site No 90, West : Site No 88

(III) The property Belongs to Sri Vikram Jaganmohan All that piece & Parcel of Site no. 23, khata No 1270/23, E-Khata No 150200101200301336 formed in land bearing Sy No 190/P4 to P14, P16, P-18, P-19, P-22 to P-24, P-27, P-28, P-32, P-36 to P-38, P-44, P-46, P-48 & P-49 in the layout named as NRI's Centre City, situated at Ballur Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, Total Area : 2400 sq ft and bounded on East : 30 Ft Road, West : Site No 20, North : Site No 22, South : Site No 24.

(IV) The property Belongs to Sri Nihith Krishna P All that piece & Parcel of Site no. 379 khata No 1119/379, E-Khata No 150200101200301178 formed in land bearing Sy No 190/P4 to P14, P16, P-18, P-19, P-22 to P-24, P-27, P-28, P-32, P-36 to P-38, P-44, P-46, P-48 & P-49 in the layout named as NRI's Centre City, situated at Ballur Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, Total Area : 1200 sq ft and bounded on : East : 30 Ft Road, West : Site No 382, North : Site No 380, South : Site No 378.

(V) Property Belongs to Sri. Gopal C Gangoor, S/o Late Chandrashekharappa All the piece and Parcel of Property (Residential house) No.3, Khata No 973 , New PID No 026 W 0655 -25 situated at Kowdenahalli Village, K R Puram, Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Now coming under the purview of Bruhat Banglore Mahanagara Palike Total Area - 960 sq ft and bounded on East : 20 Ft Road, West : Private Property, North : Site No 4, South : Site No 2.

(VI) Property Belongs to Yashwanth Krishna Residential Apartment bearing No 504 on Fifth Floor , Block -2 , Wing C admeasuring a total super built up area 1272 sq ft consisting of 2 Bedroom in the High Rise Multistoried Residential flat Apartment Building Known as " Suncity Gloria" and one car parking space No 651 in basement constructed on Sy. No. 18/3A1, 18/3B, 18/3C2, 18/3C1A, 18/3C1B, 18/3C1C and 18/3C1D, situated at Doddakannahalli Village , Varthur Hobli , Banglore East Taluka and bounded on : East : Mullur Village Boundry, West : Sy No 18/2 Belonging to the Railway Department, North : Sy No 18/3A2, South By Sarjapura Main Road.

(VII) Property Belongs to Sri. P C Gopinath, S/o Sri P Chandrasekhar and Smt Sridevi Gopinath wife of Sri P C Gopinath All the part and Parcel of EM of (Residential house) plot no. 83/A, D No. 4-1738/2, S No.241/2, A Block, Durga Nagar, Colony, Greamspet, Chittoor, AP-517002, Belongs to Sri. P C Gopinath, S/o Sri P Chandrasekhar bounded on : East : Plot No 80&81, West : 30 ft wide Road, North : Plot No 84, South Plot No 83.

NPA Date: 30.11.2019 **Demand Notice Date: 25.04.2022**

Amount Outstanding: Rs.73049732.23 (Rupees Seven Crores Thirty lacs forty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Two and paise Twenty Three only) Plus interest and Expenses from 01.09.2021 to the date of realization of Banks dues.

2) In the letter of acknowledgement of debt dated 30.11.2019 you have acknowledged your liability to the Bank to the tune of **Rs. 7,20,19,811.98** (Seven Crore twenty lacs Nineteen thousand eight Hundred Eleven & paise ninty eight only) on 30.11.2019 The out-standings stated above include interest up to 30.11.2019. **3)** As you are aware, you have committed defaults in payment of interest on above loans / out standings for the month ended 30.06.2021 and thereafter. **4)** Consequent upon the defaults committed by you, your loan account has been classified as non-performing asset on 30.11.2019 in accordance with the Reserve Bank of India directives and guidelines. In spite of our repeated requests and demands you have not repaid the overdue loans including interest thereon. **5)** Having regard to your inability to meet your liabilities in respect of the credit facilities duly secured by various securities mentioned in para 1 above, and classification of your account as a non-performing asset, we hereby give you notice under sub-section (2) of section 13 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and call upon you to pay in full and discharge your liabilities to the Bank aggregating Rs.73049732.23 (Rupees Seven Crores Thirty lacs forty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Two and paise Twenty Three only) Plus interest and Expenses from 01.09.2021 to the date of realization of Bank's dues as stated in para 1 above, within 60 days from the date of this notice. We further give you notice that failing payment of the above amount with interest till the date of payment, we shall be free to exercise all or any of the rights under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the said Act, which please note. **6)** Please note that, interest will continue to accrue at the rates specified in para 1 above for each credit facility until payment in full. **7)** We invite your attention to sub-section 13 of the said Act in terms of which you are barred from transferring any of the secured assets referred to in para 1 above by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of business), without obtaining our prior written consent. We may add that non-compliance with the above provision contained in section 13(13) of the said Act, is an offence punishable under section 29 of the Act. **8)** We further invite your attention to sub section (8) of section 13 of the said Act in terms of which you may redeem the secured assets, if the amount of dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank is tendered by you, at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction/inviting quotations/tender/private treaty. Please note that after publication of the notice as above, your right to redeem the secured assets will not be available. **9)** Please note that this demand notice is without prejudice to and shall not be construed as waiver of any other rights or remedies which we may have, including without limitation, the right to make further demands in respect of sums owing to us.

Note: By issuing this fresh Demand Notice dtd 25.04.2022, the earlier Demand Notice dtd 11.11.2021 under Sec 13(2) & 13(3) of SARFAESI Act – 2002 stands withdrawn.

Date: 08.08.2022 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Bank of Baroda**

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1 , BENGALURU

LIC Jeevan Mangal Building (2nd Floor)
No. 4, Residency Road, Bengaluru- 560 025.

Proceedings before the Recovery Office , Debt Recovery Triubunal, Bangalore

WARRANT OF ATTACHMENT OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

(See Sections 25 to 28 of The Recovery of Debts due to Bank & other Financial Institutions Act 1993)

RC No.504/2021 in OA No.253/2020

Between: UCO Bank and Mrs. Leena Rakesh and Others

1. Smt. Leena Rakesh W/o. Sri Rakesh Kumar Devendran, residing at No. 962, 3rd Cross, 1st Block, HRBR Layout, Bengaluru - 560 043.
2. Sri Rakesh Kumar Devendran S/o. Sri Devendran , residing at No. 962, 3rd Cross, 1st Block, HRBR Layout, Bengaluru - 560 043

...Certificate Debtors

Whereas, the above named Certificate Debtors were ordered by the Recovery Certificate of this Tribunal passed in OA No.253/2020 to pay to the Certificate Holder Bank a sum of Rs.69,06,020/- (Rupees Sixty Nine Lakhs Six Thousand and Twenty only) together with costs, expenses and future interest @ 11.60% p.a compound with yearly rests from the date of filing of the OA ie., 11.02.2020 till its realization in full, jointly, severally and personally from the certified debtors. Whereas the said has not been paid.

This is to command to attach the immovable property of the said Certificate Debtors as set forth in the Schedule hereunto annexed and unless they said shall pay to you the above said sum and the costs of this attachment to hold the same until further orders from the Recovery Officer.

You are further commanded to return the Warrant on or before 20.08.2022 with an endorsement certifying the day on which and the manner in which it has been executed or why it has not been executed.

SCHEDULE 'A' : All the piece and parcel of immovable residential property bearing, Site No. 4CM-402, Khatha No.BDA/RON/C3/4CM402/04-05, Property PID No. 84-149-4CM-402, Old Ward No. 27, formed by the Bengaluru Development Authority, situated at Old Madras Road, Banaswadi Road Layout Extension (OMBR Layout), Bengaluru, now under the limits of BBMP, Bengaluru, measfuring East to West (26+25.30) Mtrs. and North to South (14.70+17)/2 meters totally in all measuring 406.55 square meters and property being bounded thereon: East by : Site No. 5M-401, West by : 4th 'C' Main Road, North by : Site No. 4CM-404, South by : 4th 'A' Cross Road.

Schedule 'B': An undivided right, title and interest of 321 sq. feet in the Schedule 'A' property.

Schedule 'C': All that piece and parcel of the residential apartment bearing No. G-101, in the Ground Floor, consisting of Three Bed Rooms one Hall, one kitchen, one car park with a super built up area pf 1350 sq. feet in the building known as "Sindhu Kuteera" to be constructed on Schedule A property.

Place: Bangalore **Sd/- (Deepa Induvani S.)**
Date: 30.07.2022 Recovery Officer

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1 , BENGALURU

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No. 4, Residency Road, Bengaluru- 560 025.

Proceedings before the Recovery Office , Debt Recovery Triubunal, Bangalore

NOTICE FOR SETTLING A SALE PROCLAMATION

(See Sections 25 to 28 of The Recovery of Debts due to Bank & other Financial Institutions Act 1993)

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...Certificate Debtors

Whereas in execution of Recovery certificate No504/2021 in OA No.253/2020 drawn up by the Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bangalore, the undersigned has ordered the sale of the under mentioned schedule immovable property.

You are hereby informed that a day on or after 15th day from the date of service of this notice has been fixed for drawing up the proclamation of sale and settling the terms thereof. You are requested to bring to the notice of the undersigned any encumbrances, charges, claims or liabilities attaching to the said properties or any portion thereof.

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Place: Bangalore **Sd/- (Deepa Induvani S.)**
Date: 30.07.2022 Recovery Officer

THE PAVAGADA SOUHARDA MULTIPURPOSE CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED.,

ESTD : 2002

Administrative Office: No.12, 2nd Floor, 3rd Cross, MCECHS Layout, Dr.Shivaramakarantha Nagar, Hegdenagar, Bangalore-560 077, Ph: 080-28444449, Email: Pavagadaho1@gmal.com,
Branch: S G Palya Branch No.264, Ist Main, 1st Cross, Bharati Layout, S G Palya, Bangalore-560 029,
Ph: 080- 41684710 Email-pavagadasgpalya1@Gmail.Com

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Where as the **T P S M C Limited.,** acting through its Chief Executive Officer / Authorised Officer, in exercise of its powers under Section 13(4) of Securitisation and Reconstruction has decided to put up for E-Auction the Schedule property for realization of the debts due to the **T P S M C Limited.,** upon the following of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI) terms and conditions:

CONDITIONS OF E-AUCTION

a) E-Auction is being held on **AS IS WHERE IS, WHATEVER IS THERE AND WITHOUT RECOURACE BASIS** and the **T P S M C Limited.,** is not responsible for title, condition or any other fact affecting the property.
b) The E-auction will take place through portal **https://bankauctions.in.** on mentioned date at the time has mentioned below :-
c) The intending tenderer/bidder shall deposit with the Authorised Officer/ Chief Executive Officer an amount equivalent to 10% of reserve price by way of Earnest Money Deposit in the account of, **The Pavagada Souharda Multipurpose Co-Operative Limited Axis Bank Ltd, Hegdenagar Branch by Demand Draft or NEFT/RTGS to Current Account No.918020067275414 And IFSC Code-UTIB0002980) at the same time bidder has to submit the e-bid form available on https://bankauctions.in** before the date and time mentioned above and shall obtain written receipt thereof from the branch/ Authorised Officer/ Chief Executive Officer.
d) Bidder should have valid digital signature certificate (Class- ii/iii) to participate in the e-auction. For details with regards to digital signature, registration and training may please contact **M/s 4Closure, Hyderabad. Contact Details: 08142000061/66 and +91-9515160061 (Bengaluru) Email ID: info@bankauctions.in and subbarao@bankauctions.in, lokesh@bankauctions.in.**
e) The particulars specified in Schedule have been stated to the best of information of the **T P S M C Limited.,** and the **T P S M C Limited.,** will not be answerable for any error, mis-statement or omission.
f) For the reasons recorded, it shall be in the EMD submitted and **T P S M C Limited.,** would not entertain any claim or any representation in that regard from the bidders.
g) The person declared to be the successful bidder shall deposit 25% (twenty five percent) of sale price, less EMD deposited immediately and remaining amount shall be paid within 15 days from the date of auction. In case of failure to adhere any payment schedule, the amount paid will be forfeited and Authorise Officer will be at liberty to cancel the auction and conduct fresh auction.
h) On receipt of the entire sale consideration the Authorised Officer shall issue the Sale Certificate and the sale shall be complete thereafter and the **T P S M C Limited.,** shall entertain no claims.
I) Noting in this notice constitutes or will be deemed to constitute any commitment or representation on the part of the **T P S M C Limited.,** to sell the property. **T P S M C Limited.,** reserves the right to cancel the sale for any reason it may deem fit or even without assigning any reason and such cancellation shall not be called in question by the bidders.

1. Name and address of the Borrower and Guarantor/Co-Obligant : (1) Mr. G Surendra Reddy S/o G Yanadhi Reddy **(2) Mrs. Sahithi Surendra Reddy Guna** W/o G Surendra Reddy, **Both are residing at:** No.24, 22nd Cross, Temple Street, Ayodha Nagar, J P Nagar, Bangalore-560078. **(2) Mrs. Sahithi Surendra Reddy Guna** W/o G Surendra Reddy, **And also at :** No.C-144 Sobha Magnolia, Bannerghatta Road, OppJalabhavanBannerghatta Road, Bangalore South, Dharmaram College, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560029. **Guarantors: Mr. Venkateshwarlu M** S/o Ramiah M No.310/A, Sri Mithra Estate, 10th Cross, NagawaraPalya, Bangalore-560 093.

The secured debt for the recovery of which the movable/immovable secured asset is to be sold: A/c No.SMTL-09Rs.43,67,621=00 (Rupees Forty Three Lakh Sixty Seven Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty One Only) as on 31.07.2021 and interest/cost/expenses thereon

Demand Notice Dated : 28.08.2021 **Possession Notice Dated : 22.01.2022**

Description of immovable secured assets to be sold : All that piece and parcel of the site bearing No.110, katha No.3002 in converted Survey No.36/6A (Vide conversion order No.B.Dis ALN-SR(S) 21/2003-04 dated 29-04-2003) situated at Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, for measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 53.5 feet for total 1605 Sq.feet and bounded on East by: Site No.109, West by: Site No.111, North by: Private Property, South by: Road.

Reserve Price Rs.41,73,000/- **EMD Amount Rs.4,17,300/-**

Date & Time of auction : 13.09.2022 at 11:30 am to 12:30 pm (with 10 min unlimited auto extensions) E auction website - https://bankauctions.in. Increment value Rs.50,000/- & such multiples, Last date for submission of EMD & e-Bid Form : On or before 09.09.2022 before 4.30 PM

E auction website : https://bankauctions.in Contact Persons: The Pavagada Souharda Multipurpose Co-Operative Limited, Mr. K Mohan Shivakumar : Ph: 7338178584 (M/s Supreme Enforcement Services). Mr. Shivashankar A. Mob : 9480401348.

Date : 09.08.2022 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **THE PAVAGADA SOUHARDA MULTIPURPOSE CO-OP. LTD**

HDFC

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION LTD. CIN L70100MH1977PLC019916

Regd. Office: Ramon House, H T Parekh Marg, 169, Backbay Reclamation, Churchgate, Mumbai- 400020
Regional Office : HDFC House, No.51, Kasturaba Road, Bangalore - 560001. **Ph :** 080 41183000
Fax: 080 22275754, **E-mail : customer.service@hdfc.com, Website:** www.hdfc.com

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas the Authorised Officer of **Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited**, under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the following borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) to pay the amounts mentioned against their respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices, within 60 days from the date of the said Notice/s, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc till the date of payment and / or realisation.

Sr. No	Name of Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s)	Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Description of the Property
1	**Mr. Soutik Das (Borrower) and Mrs. Sampita Das (Co-Borrower) A/c No. 636621123**	**Rs.49,60,456/- (Rupees Forty Nine Lakhs Sixty Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty Six Only) as on 31.03.2022**	**29.04.2022**	**09.08.2022**	**Schedule-A:** All that piece and parcel of property being non-agricultural converted vacant lands in Sy.Nos. 176/1, 178/2, 178/3, 179, 180/1, 180/2, 181/1, 181/2, 181/3, 181/4, 182, 183/1, 183/2, 183/3, 183/4, 184/1, 184/2, 186/1, 187/2, 188/2, 188/5A, 188/5B, 189/1 190/1, 190/2, 190/5 (old No.190/1) 190/6, (old No.190/1) 191/1, 191/3, 191/4 (old No.191/1) 192/1, 195/1, 196, 197/1, 197/2, 197/3A, 198/1, 198/2, 199, 200/2, 203/1, 203/2, 204/1, 204/2, 204/3, 204/4, 204/5, 204/6, 204/7A, 204/7B, 205/1, 205/2, 205/3, 205/4, 205/5, 207/1, 207/2, 207/3, 207/4, 207/5, 207/6, 208, 210/1, 210/3, 210/4, 210/6B, 210/7A, 7B, 210/8, 210/9, 210/10, 210/11, 210/12, 210/13B, 210/13A, 210/15A, 210/15B, 210/16, 210/18, 210/1 (210/19) 211/1, 211/2, 211/6A, 211/7, 220/1, of Gunjur Village and Sy. Nos. 28/5, 28/11, 28/13, 28/14, 28/16 of Balagere Village both are of Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, measuring an extent of 98 Acres 35.25 Guntas (less area surrendered to Bangalore Development Authority) and the entire Property is presently bearing Municipal No.52 in Sy.Nos.210/4, 207/3, 207/6 and other survey numbers at Sl.No.617 (in the records of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike) and situated in Gunjur in Municipal Ward No.149 of Varthur, Bangalore and entire Property is bounded on the: East by : Road and Lands in Sy.No.220/3, 220/4 and 207/6 in Gunjur Village; West by : Lands in Sy.No.28 of Balegere Village and Sy.No.136, 194, 195, 191 of Gunjur Village and Private Properties; North by : Lands in Sy.No.206, 202, 201 of Gunjur Village and Sy.No.25 of Balagere and Private Properties; and South by Lands in Sy.No.179, 176, 177, 178, 185, 189 of Gunjur Village and Private Properties. **Schedule-B:** 571 Sq. Feet of undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in land in Schedule "A" Property. **Schedule-C:** All that Residential Apartment bearing No.5236 situated in Level-23, Twenty Second Floor of Tower '5' in 'Building No.2 - Basil', in the Project viz., "PRESTIGE LAKESIDE HABITAT", developed on Schedule 'A' Property and measuring 855 Sq. Feet of Carpet Area and 361 Sq. Feet of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use and totally measuring 1216 Sq. Feet of Super Built-up Area, with One Covered Car parking space in the Basement Floor and the apartment is bounded by: East : Open towards Open Space in Tower-5 in 'Building No.2-Basil' in 'PRESTIGE LAKESIDE HABITAT'; West : Corridor in Level-23, Twenty Second Floor of Tower-5 in 'Building No.2-Basil' in PRESTIGE LAKESIDE HABITAT'; North : Apartment No.5235 in Level-23, Twenty Second Floor of Tower-5 in 'Building No.2-Basil' in 'PRESTIGE LAKESIDE HABITAT'; and South : Open towards Open Space in Tower-5 in 'Building No.2-Basil' in 'PRESTIGE LAKESIDE HABITAT' The walls are built out of Solid Brick and Cement with RCC Roofing and Vitrified/Ceramic Flooring and it has electricity, water and sanitary connections. The wood used is Teak and windows are of UPVC sliding Panels.

*with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and / or realisation.

However, since the borrower mentioned hereinabove have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the borrower mentioned hereinabove in particular and to the public in general that the Authorised Officer/s of **HDFC** have taken possession of the immovable property (ies) / secured asset(s) described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/them under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the dates mentioned above.

The borrower mentioned hereinabove in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid Immovable Property(ies) / Secured Asset(s) and any dealings with the said Immovable Property (ies) / Secured Asset(s) will be subject to the mortgage of **Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd.**

Borrower(s) attention is/are invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset/s.

Copies of the Pnachanma drawn and Inventory madeare available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower is requested to collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

Date: 10.08.2022 **Sd/-Authorised Officer**
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DAY'S DIARY

Making history

On this day in 2008, cyclist Nicole Cooke broke the British team's Beijing Olympics medal drought by winning gold in the women's road race

THE TRAILBLAZER

Nicole Cooke, the British professional racing cyclist, made history in 2008 by becoming the first rider to win both the Olympic and World Championship Road Race in the same year

DREAM SINCE CHILDHOOD

Nicole Cooke won four junior world titles and was just 12 when she told a BBC reporter that she wanted to win the Olympic road race and the Tour de France

RETIREMENT

Cooke finished 31st at the 2012 London Olympics, and the following January, she announced her retirement from the sport

Read an excerpt from 'Banaras Talkies'

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Photographer Aparna Jayakumar, who has shot for Victoria Beckham and Netflix series like *The Suitable Boy* and *Kaminey*, will conduct a guided walk for photo enthusiasts at Richards Park to talk about the artistic process and challenges of street photography

FRAME GAME

MONIKA MONALISA

A photograph has the ability to freeze time, dig deep into culture and zeitgeist to focus on the metamorphosis that connects the past and the present. Street photography steers into mind one of the most famous frames of Henri Cartier-Bresson in 1932 of a cyclist on a brick-layed street in France in an angle almost peeping over the handrails.

It is simple, stunning and handled with sensitivity, and photographer **Aparna Jayakumar 0**also works assiduously towards minute details. Jayakumar, in association with MAP Academy, will be undertaking a guided walk for photo enthusiasts at the Richards Park on August 13 between 4pm and 6pm.

Participants will be guided by Jayakumar explaining the artistic process, sensitivities and challenges of approaching people, and the technical expertise needed to capture street portraits. "It's a photo walk where photo enthusiasts gather, and are guided on how to approach street photography. Since this is something that I do, I can give them certain advice and tricks and share with them my philosophy of shooting on the streets," says Jayakumar, adding that photographers need to understand people are not obliged to shoot.

She feels that photographers, during the street shoot, need to understand that there is a person on the other side of the lens who is not a prop. "You need to approach people with kindness, and give back a little bit too by showing them how they are looking in the camera. Sometimes people just go out there and shoot as if they want to grab stuff and they don't think about whom they are capturing on camera and how that person is feeling," says Jayakumar, who spent 15 years behind the lens.

A still from *Kaminey* clicked by Aparna Jayakumar

A street portrait in Mumbai

From Victoria Beckham and to Netflix series like *The Suitable Boy*, movie *Kaminey* to name a few, Jayakumar's portfolio is replete with celebrity shoots and also the factors that come along with it. "Celebrities are also human beings. You need to be sensitive to their needs. Sometimes you need to be extra-sensitive to their egos, and make sure they are in a good mental space, since their jobs come with tremendous pressure. At the end of the day, there is a commission so you have to shoot based on the brief," explains Jayakumar.

After living in Doha for six years, she moved to Bengaluru, and is looking forward to the session that will also give her a chance to explore the city with a different perspective.

(Log on to map-india.org to register for the walk).

CITY READ

Students receive language certificate

Director of the Malayalam Mission, Murukan Kattakkada, gave 'Kanikonna' certificates to the students of Shriram Sameeksha Apartments in Jalahalli who recently completed a certificate course in the Malayalam language. The Kerala government's Department of Culture launched the Malayalam Mission in an effort to spread the language throughout the world. The project aims to help non-resident Kerala kids who are unaware of the state's language or culture.

Art is a mixture of emotion and nostalgia for this city-based artist whose oeuvre is filled with childhood memories and social issues – all in darker frames

Riot of colours

ARUNIMA SHAJI

ART is a blend of emotion and nostalgia for **Anusaj**. Childhood memories, stories he heard from his parents, or even the images he witnesses in his daily life, all become part of his extensive oeuvre. Most of his works have some dark quality to them — the colours, the setting and even nature at its wildest all contribute to deeply vivid imageries. However, not all of them are dark — some are at the same time very carefully crafted sensitively, emotions pouring out of each line.

While the Velichappad is all dark and red — the ancient lore of an oracle, a follower of goddess Kali is about to start his ritualistic performance at a Kaavu under the moonlight — the painting of a knife sharpener is very warm. The knife sharpener, who Anusaj met on an Indian street amid the hustle-bustle of city life, is recreated in the middle of vibrant nature. He is standing on the road, amid green foliage, doing his job — the phrase embraced by nature comes alive here. "While recreating a scene, I don't want to lose the originality. Especially while painting my village — the scenic beauty of my village is something I can never compromise on".

Tracing the beginning

According to Anusaj, it all started when he won a drawing competition organised by a local club in Kozhikode. He was just a kid then, However, from then on he decided his future will be about art. Now, settled in Bengaluru as an art director in an advertising agency, he is creating waves on Instagram during his free time.

At 13, Anusaj started learning art. Anusaj started putting out his artworks on social media during the pandemic lockdown in 2020. "During the pandemic, I came back home to Kerala. From a busy urban life to a sudden calm environment. That is when I started an Instagram account," he says. The account @arappiri.varayan soon gained followers for the art as well as the name, though he takes his dear time to update new works.

Language of hues

Anusaj is known for how he uses colours and for his ever-changing art style. "Yes, many comments about the colours I use. However, I make sure the colours don't overpower the emotion of the subject. I try to bring out the emotion as much as possible without losing the gradient of the hues," he says, adding, "I'm a night person and that is the reason why most backgrounds are dark." However, when it comes to nostalgic childhood memories, it all changes. Characters with innocent dewy eyes playing in the yard, orchard, water and attic all appear in his frames reminding all of the summer vacations in the '90s.

Anusaj never refrains from being political in his art. Be it his response to the long months of farmers' protests, or the atrocities against women, he always gives a part of himself to causes near to his heart. His painting So Scared shows a dark woman being picked on by a pack of crows. She is standing tall while scared and the crows depict the multitude of atrocities — discrimination and abuses she faces in daily life.

KNOW YOUR CITY

Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Know Your City Quiz'**

Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in CE on Thursday.

QUESTIONS

1. KR Market (known as City Market), an iconic heritage building in Bengaluru, turned 100 last year. Built on the lines of Sir Stuart Hogg market in Kolkata, it was opened on October 11, 1921. Market shows with a display and sale of a wide variety of fruits and vegetables were held regularly in the initial years which attracted huge crowds. Expand KR Market.

2. Russel Market, one of the landmark markets in the city, was built in the Indo-Saracenic style of architecture with a fusion of both Hindu and Islamic designs in 1927. It was named after TB Russell, the then municipal commissioner who initiated the idea of having an exclusive market catering to the needs of cantonment. Which busy commercial area in Bengaluru is the market located?

3. Johnson Market, well known for non-vegetarian street food and meat shops, was built in 1929 on the land donated by Sir Mirza Ismail, the erstwhile Dewan of Mysuru. Which prominent road in Bengaluru is the market located on?

Sitting L to R: Sunil HB, Swaroop KP, NN Yuvaraj, Vinay Mruthyunjaya, Ananth B, Rajendra. **Standing L to R:** Sadashiv J Karanth, Kumar Selvaraj S, Srivardhan TR, Najeeb Kunil, Ajay Agarwal, Nitin P, HN Ravindra, Vrushank KM

KSCA DEFEATS HBCC

Category I	Category II	Category III
KSCA -Sadashiv J Karanth & Vrushank KM beat HBCC- Prasad N & Vinod B; score: 15-21, 21-15, 18-21	KSCA – Srivardhan TR & Najeeb Kunil beat HBCC – Dr Vivek & Muniraju; score: 21-17, 04-21, 14-21	KSCA – Vinay Mruthyunjaya & Sunil HB beat HBCC – Chandrashekar & Lawerence; score: 21-17, 05-21, 17-21

WINNING STROKES

EXPRESS FEATURES

KSCA 'A' team pulled off a victory in the Yokohama Inter-Club badminton tournament, handing HBCC a 3-0 drubbing at the KSCA Badminton hall. The tournament was inaugurated by KSCA president and member of India's 1983 World Cup winning squad Roger Binny and BWF World championship bronze medalist Sai Praneeth recently. KSCA honorary secretary Santosh Menon, and its vice-president J Abhiram were also present on the occasion.

KSCA 'A' defeated Bowring Institute while Gymkhana Club beat Century Club, and Canara Union was done and dusted by Koramangala Club. The City Institute got the better of Malleshwaram Club in the first round of the top half.

For the bottom half of the pre-quarterfinal matches, HBCC beat Mahalakshmi Layout Club, KSCA 'B' defeated RMV, Sadashivanagar Club crushed Reliance Club, and Vijayanagar Club beat KBA Club House. Four teams from each half of the pre-quarterfinal made it to the last eight for the finals.

Pitted against Gymkhana Club, KSCA 'A' trumphed while City Institute prevailed over Koramangala Club. HBCC defeated KSCA 'B' and Vijayanagar Club's juggernaut was stopped by Sadashivanagar Club, who made it to the finals.

In the semi-finals, KSCA outclassed City Institute while HBCC beat Sadashivanagar Club. In the final, HBCC were vanquished by KSCA by a 0-3 margin, who has also set an all-time record by winning against their opponents without losing a single game.

The 2008 and 2011 national badminton men's singles champion, Arvind Bhat was the special guest for the final and presented the awards.

CAREFREE DAYS

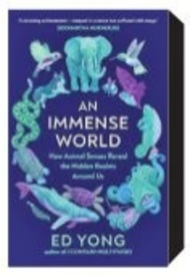
Children spend an evening playing games at a park in Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium in the city

BOOK NOOK

Our India: Reflections on a Nation Betwixt and Between

By Capt. GR Gopinath

GR Gopinath, an army officer, aviation pioneer, brings a unique perspective to issues that concern our nation – from politics to business.



An Immense World: How Animal Senses Reveal the Hidden Realms Around Us

By Ed Yong

Acclaimed science journalist Ed Yong takes readers beyond the confines of senses. He explores the world of animals and unique aspects of nature.

Desanthiri

By S Ramakrishnan

The author shares his travel experiences and his learnings about the specialities, diverse beliefs and cultures across India.

The Measure

By Nikki Erlick

A wooden box awaits outside the door that contains the exact number of years left to live. The seemingly normal world is thrown into a frenzy. Everyone faces the same shocking choice: Do they wish to know how long they'll live?

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

Catch up eve

Ladies! Get footloose and dance the night of your dreams at Catch Up Bangalore featuring DJ Avi.

WHEN: August 10, 7.30 pm

WHERE: Catch Up Bangalore, HSR Layout

DETAILS: highape.com

All the world's a stage

Kriyative Theatre uses comedy to show the life of Kannada writer G.P.Rajaratnam.

WHEN: August 10, 7.30 pm

WHERE: Ranga Shankara: Bengaluru, JP Nagar

DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

All for laughs

This standup comedy is ready with a new line-up of comedians to get you rolling with laughter.

WHEN: August 10, 8.30 pm

WHERE: Lakeview Milk Bar, Koramangala

DETAILS: allevents.com

Scientific Wednesday

Clear all the questions in your mind by visiting this planetarium which is brimming with information that you are looking for.

WHEN: August 10, 10.30 am

WHERE: Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium, Sankey Road

DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Cha cha real smooth

Dance the mid-week stress away and lose yourself to DJ Hassan's beat.

WHEN: August 10, 8 pm

WHERE: Badmaash Lounge, Koramangala

DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

When in doubt, sing it out

Let out your inner Beyonce and sing into the night with KJ Brandon Daly.

WHEN: August 10, 8 pm

WHERE: K-OS The Game Bar, Koramangala

DETAILS: highape.com

FREE-DOM STYLE

Flash mob by '8Countz' for 'Independence Day Awareness' in partnership with the National Students' Union of India | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

QUICK FIX

AVOCADO CHUTNEY

Contributed by: **Priya Shiva,** Chennai

INGREDIENTS

■ **Ripe Avocado:** 1 peeled, pitted and chopped ■ **Freshly desiccated coconut:** 1/2 cup ■ **Roasted Bengal gram:** 2 tbsp ■ **Green chillies:** 2, chopped ■ **Salt** to taste ■ **Asafoetida:** 1/8 tsp ■ **Mustard seeds:** 1 tsp ■ **Curry leaves:** 1 sprig ■ **Sesame oil:** 1 tsp

METHOD

- Add chopped avocado, freshly grated coconut, roasted gram, green chillies in a mixer grinder and coarsely grind it.
- Transfer the content in a bowl, add salt and mix well.
- Add oil in a small frying pan. When oil is warm, add mustard seeds and let it splutter.
- Add asafoetida and curry leaves and saute for a few seconds.
- Add this tempering in the bowl. Mix and serve.

What's cooking in your kitchen?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com.

FIT BIT

UTTHITA TADASANA
(EXTENDED MOUNTAIN POSE)

This variation stretches the chest, rib cage, shoulders, upper abdomen, arms and neck. The back is curved like a bow whereas the palms are open and the fingers are spread apart. As this pose is a heart opener, and the breath in the pose is slow but long and deep; it can be a warm up for backbend yoga sequence for beginners.

STEPS

- Start by standing with your feet hip-distance apart at the top of your mat in Tadasana (Mountain Pose).
- Keep your pelvis tucked beneath, your stomach pulled in, and your chest broad.
- Raise the arms above slowly as you inhale. Make sure the knees are straight and the ears are near the biceps.
- The palms are open and the fingers are spread apart, facing each other. This is you Tadasana Urdhva Hastasana.
- From here, start tilting your body towards the back like you're creating 150 degrees at the back of your shoulders and trunk.
- Bend as far as you are comfortable. Hold for 6-8 breaths.
- Bring your awareness to the grounding of the feet, the lifting of the pelvis and hips, the opening of the chest, the lengthening of the front neck, keeping the arms parallel and away from the ears.
- To release, exhale and come back to Volcano Pose and then Mountain Pose, while breathing out slowly.
- To get maximum benefits repeat the steps, and try to stay longer.

BENEFITS

- Stretches the sides of the body, spinal column, shoulders, arms, and core (abs).
- Strengthens and tones the biceps, triceps, belly, back, pelvis area, thighs, knees and ankles.
- Makes the body flexible for advance poses and flows.
- Responsible for a healthy immune system.
- Activates the Mooladhara (root) and Svadhisthana (sacral) Chakras.
- Promotes mental health, mental stability and self-awareness.
- Also activates the Ajna (third eye) Chakra and allows one to have a visionary perspective.
- Makes the respiratory system efficient. Energises the body. Eliminates negativity and brings emotional balance.

LIMITATIONS

If you have an injured back and/or shoulders, have had surgery in the abdominal area should perform with all precautions.

Avoid in case of severe headaches or migraine. During the third trimester, pregnant women should avoid this. Seniors can consult a yoga expert.

By N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

SARKARU VAARI PAATA (Telugu)

Mahi believes that financial discipline is a must have quality in everyone. What happens when he encounters Rajendranath who doesn't respect money.

Cast: Mahesh Babu, Keerthy Suresh

Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

KADAKH (Hindi)

Kadakh is set on the night of Deepavali celebration when a Mumbai-based couple organise a party at their home only to face bizarre circumstances during the whole night.

Cast: Ranvir Shorey, Mansi Multani, Rajat Kapoor, Tara Sharma Saluja, Cyrus Sahukar, Shruti Seth, Sagar Deshmukh, Nupur Asthana, Chandrachoor Rai, Palomi Ghosh

Watch on: SonyLIV

MAGAMUNI (Tamil)

Separated at birth, twin brothers whose lives have taken opposing paths are thrust onto a dangerous collision course when their worlds intertwine.

Starring: Arya, Rohini, Mahima Nambiar

Watch on: Netflix

PAWANKHIND (Marathi)

Trapped in Panhala fort, under siege and outnumbered against a vast Mughal army, the great king Shivaji makes his escape under the cover of darkness. In spite of every effort, Marathas find themselves at Ghod Khind with the enemy in pursuit.

Cast: Chinmay Mandlekar, Mrinal Kulkarni, Ajay Purkar

Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

THE ROYAL BENGAL TIGER (Bengali)

Knocked down by life one too many times, a meek family man drastically transforms from shy to savage after an encounter with a mysterious friend.

Cast: Jeet, Abir Chatterjee, Priyanka Sarkar

Watch on: Netflix

GUDDIYAN PATOLE (Punjabi)

When two sisters travel from Canada to Punjab to visit their maternal family, they discover an opportunity to mend a broken bond with their grandmother.

Starring: Nirmal Rishi, Sonam Bajwa, Sukhwinder Chahal

Watch on: Netflix

KSHAMISI NIMMA KHATHEYALLI HANAVILLA (Kannada)

The film takes place in a village backdrop. A guy Shankra who loses `2,300 because of the bank's fault fights against the bank for this very small but valuable amount.

Cast: Diganth, Aindrita ray, Ranjani Raghavan

Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

FOREIGN

INTERCEPTOR (English)

The last officer standing on a remote missile defense base wages the battle of her life against terrorists aiming 16 stolen nuclear weapons at the US.

Cast: Elsa Pataky, Luke Bracey, Aaron Glenane

Watch on: Netflix

I WANT YOU BACK (English)

Peter and Emma thought they were on the precipice of life's biggest moments – marriage, kids, and houses in the suburbs – until their respective partners dumped them. Horrified to learn that the loves of their lives have already moved on, Peter and Emma hatch a hilarious plan to win back their exes with unexpected results.

Cast: Charlie Day, Jenny Slate, Gina Rodriguez

Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

THE HATER (Polish)

A duplicitous young man finds success in the dark world of social media smear tactics – but his virtual vitriol soon has violent real-life consequences.

Cast: Maciej Musiałowski, Agata Kulesza Danuta Stenka

Watch on: Netflix

UMMA (Korean)

Amanda lives a quiet life on a farm with her daughter Chris. However, when her estranged mother's ashes arrive from Korea, Amanda is haunted by her ghost.

Cast: Sandra Oh, Fivel Stewart, Dermot Mulroney

Watch on: Zee5

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WRITE SPIRIT

This journalist-turned-author talks about his new book *Round and About with PT Bopanna*, and his journey as an author

FIA MAJUMDAR

TAKING a leap of faith and moving to Mumbai 40 years ago, without a job or a plan worked out for **PT Bopanna**, veteran journalist and author of books such as *Dateline Coorg* and *Are Kodavas (Coorgis) Hindus?*. Growing up, Bopanna had no idea that he would become a journalist, and moved to Mumbai from Kodagu in search of better prospects. "I never thought I'd become a journalist, I never had a flair for writing. But when I was in college, I realised that journalists had the power to change the world, that's what made me want to become a journalist," he says. Fast forward to today, Bopanna's newest book, *Round and About with PT Bopanna*, is a compilation of lighthearted articles written by the author. What's special about this book is that Bopanna is able to tap a lighter, more humorous vein in this book, which he hasn't been able to do in his other projects. The title of the book was inspired by the daily column, 'Round and About,' by Behram "Busybee" Contractor, a humour journalist.

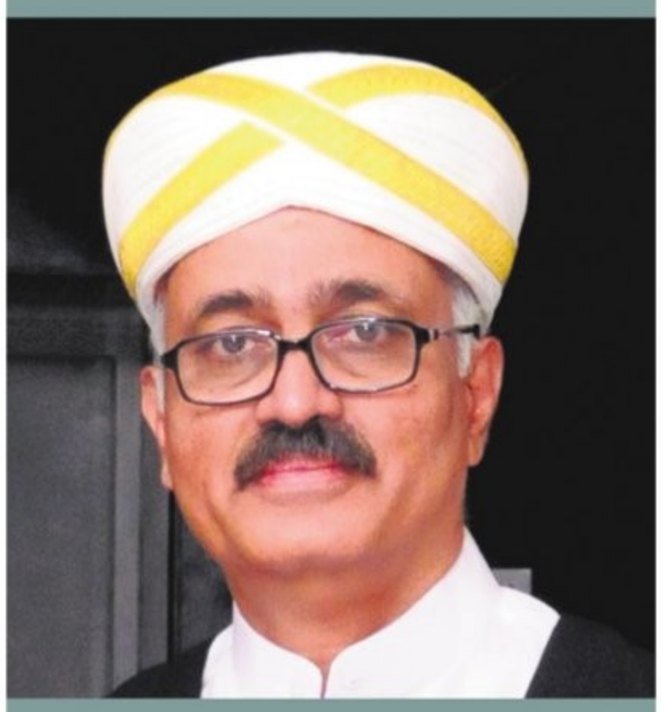
When Bopanna understood that journalism was his calling, he enrolled in a journalism course at Bhavan's College in Mumbai. "Even though I wasn't great at writing when I was younger, I always enjoyed reading the newspaper and books. I was intrigued by ideas such as Marxism and rationalism," says Bopanna. Since he also saw the rise of the Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK), he was also influenced by Periyar EV Ramaswamy Niacker's ideas, who started the DMK.

When Bopanna went back to Kodagu, he started working as a part-time correspondent for a newspaper, he was past the age of 30, which points to the fact that one is never too old to follow their passion. Bopanna was working at another newspaper when he started reading the astrological columns. "I didn't believe in astrology, but it did pique my interest. Once, the astrology section said that if I were to start a website, it would do well. After I read that, I compiled some of the information I was putting in my columns, and started my website coorgtourism.info.com in 2005, and after that, there was no looking back," says Bopanna.

However, the traffic on his website wasn't as much as Bopanna wanted it to be. So he thought, "Why don't I download all this material and bring it out in the form of a printed book?" This is how Bopanna's career as an author started, with the release of his first book, *Discover Coorg*. Writer C P Belliappa came up with the title of the book, and also wrote the foreword.

Most of Bopanna's books are about Kodagu, his home, and he writes about the rich cultural and political history of the region. "My book, *Are Kodavas Hindus?* was inspired by sociologist M N Srinivas' work, who went to Oxford for his PhD and wrote his thesis on religion and society in Coorg," Bopanna says of his journey as an author. Hence, what started as a dream to change the world, was fulfilled by an astrological prediction. Bopanna says a journalist's profession can be a quite disappointing, however, the key is to 'wait for the good tidings to come.'

ROUND AND ABOUT WITH P T BOPANNA



Bopanna looks at the lighter side of Coorg

HOW MOSQUITOES BEAT US ALL THROUGH HISTORY

URBAN BOURBON
Hriday Ranjan
Writer, comedian

I am not a man of science. When covalent bonds and the laws of motion entered the syllabus, I took refuge in the safe confines of 'Commerce', and later settled in the Arts with my journalism course. I respect people who devote their lives to science and technology, and am grateful for the convenience as I sip on coffee and type out this column on my smartphone.

However, I have a few questions for the doctors, engineers and scientists reading this column. We have been sending people to space for decades. We made a hole in the Ozone layer and even closed it up. We extracted energy from wind and sunlight, and wiped off entire species from the face of the planet. But why have we failed to defeat the measly mosquito?

Cohabiting the planet along with dinosaurs, mosquitoes are responsible for the deadly yellow fever that wiped out millions of human beings. The fate of many wars was determined by the armies' preparation or ill-luck in the face of mosquitoes. The mosquito is blamed for the ruin and decay of Roman civilisation, as well as Alexander's death in his quest to conquer the world. The Nazis filled lakes and marshes and released mosquitoes in the swamps. There are over 100 trillion mosquitoes in the world. We have made superheroes out of spiders, bats, and ants. But even the late great Stan Lee couldn't use his imagination and charm to make a mosquito seem like a friendly creature. And I wouldn't blame him!

I have been witness to mankind's neverending war against mosquitoes. The first weapons of mass destruction were the mosquito coils. But the process was like calling a 'tantrik' home. You lit a coil, and closed the windows and doors. There was a lot of smoke, and dubious results. Then came the mosquito repellent creams – with a smell so strong that even human beings avoided your company. Then came the mosquito nets that made every Indian house look like cheap Sanjay Leela Bhansali sets. You tucked yourself inside the white fortress and watched mosquitoes poking at the holes, desperately trying to get in. You could even hear the Royal Mosquito Symphony hum out their greatest hits near your ear. Home remedies were thrown up too – but camphor, garlic and eucalyptus were no match for these mutant, Avenger mosquitoes!

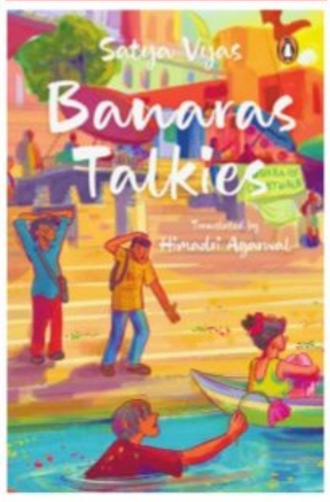
Mosquito mats were slipped into little alien-looking devices. Liquid mosquito repellent machines later replaced them. Liquid roll-on liquids were made for humans and our clothes. Sprays were introduced in the market, as were fast-card papers that could be burnt to terminate mosquitoes. But much like *Terminator-V*, the effort was a disappointing failure. We finally settled on the 'mosquito racquet'. Such is its impact that I suspect all the medals we win in badminton and tennis could be attributed to little children wielding the mosquito racquet at an early age!

The Bill and Melinda Gates are experimenting with a technology called CRISPR – in which mosquitoes will be genetically modified to drive themselves to extinction. But then, Bill Gates also claimed that Windows 98 would be buttery smooth. So I shall take Bill's words with a pinch of national salt.

When the history of human beings is written, we will be credited for our incomparable ability to extract resources from the world. For wiping out flora, fauna, and entire species from the planet. Our obsession with expanding, conquering, and ruling. Our curiosity to peek beyond the blue ball we call home. But as they sip on their evening cups of radioactive tea, future aliens will laugh at our abject failure to win over this little flying pest – the mosquito!

'How we met is a story in itself'

TURNING PAGES



WELCOME to Banaras Hindu University's Bhagwandas Hostel. If you are among the first 60 students of the country's third-best law college, then Bhagwandas is for you. If not, don't worry! It's for your friends as well. Neither has Bhagwandas itself objected to giving anyone a few days' worth of shelter, nor has its warden, Sadashiv Rao Murali Sir. Among those 60 students are the three of us, the people in this story: Me, that is Suraj, whom my friends call Baba; Anurag aka Dada; and Jaivardhan. How we met is a story in itself. I needed my father's income certificate during counselling and had forgotten to carry it along with the other certificates. I was told I could not be admitted without it. Now, looking for a father in a new city is like searching for Keshav Paan Bhandar in Canada—too much hassle. I was pacing up and down nervously when my messiah caught sight of me—Anurag De. Smoking a cigarette at the faculty gate, my lord and saviour asked me, 'Something wrong?'

'Haan, bhai, I forgot to bring my father's income certificate. Now they're saying they won't give me admission without it,' I said, wiping the sweat off my brow.

'That's it? That's what has made you this upset? Come on, tell me your father's name,' said Anurag De, taking out a register from his bag.

'Shri Jayant Kishore,' I said, watching him, surprised.

'There you go, here's the signature of Shri Jayant Kishore. It's in Hindi. The job's done. Now, do I have to tell you what to write as well?' he said casually as he signed the paper.

'No, no! I can write it myself but won't that be wrong?' I asked.'Guru, there's only one thing that's wrong in this world and that's failure. And anyway, it's not like you're making a wrong declaration, are you? You're putting down the income correctly,' he said.

'Thank you. I'll be back after submitting this. By the way, I'm Suraj,' I said.

'And I'm Anurag De.''De? A Bengali?' I asked.

He just laughed in reply.

'Can I call you Dada?' I added.

'Call me anything, guru! Your words, your wish. Raja . . . this is Banaras!' Dada said, smiling.

We were still talking when we saw another guy walking around, looking rather worried. He ran first towards the counselling room and then towards the dean's office. Dada stopped him and asked, 'Something wrong?'

'Yeah! I forgot to bring my father's income...' He hadn't even completed his sentence when we burst into laughter. Seeing his confused face, Dada turned towards me and said, 'You go finish your procedure. Meanwhile, I'll tell him the procedure of making up a father.'

'Okay.' As I was leaving, I turned towards the boy and asked, 'My name is Suraj, and yours?'

'Jaivardhan Sharma.'

There's a famous proverb: Birds of a feather flock together. Maybe that's why the three of us met during counselling itself. We were told that our hostel would be Bhagwandas Hostel or B.D. Hostel. Only two people could fit in one room, and Dada offered to be my roommate first. We were allotted room number 79. Jaivardhan hadn't found a roommate yet, so he was temporarily allotted a single room until another student was assigned this hostel.

Bhagwandas Hostel. Legend has it that the hostel was built on the foundations of a prison which dated back to the British era. The geography of it was as such: to its left was Gurtu Hostel for commerce students, and to its right was Radhakrishna Hostel for agricultural students. There was a forest at the back, and, in front, it was fortified by an iron gate. As for political science, it went like this: Bhagwandas had its own unwritten constitution, and following it was just as mandatory as it is for any democracy. Of all the rights, the right to speak freely was used most often. There was no need to get drunk or for Holi revelry to abuse someone. People were called shitheads, assholes and fuckers in a single conversation.

(Excerpted from Banaras Talkies by Satya Vyas, with permission from Penguin Random House India)

NUGGETS

Bengaluru City University launches *Victor Hugo et la Philosophie Hindoue*

Dr Suman Venkatesh, founder-chairperson of the Centre for Global Languages, launched her book titled *Victor Hugo et la Philosophie Hindoue* at Jnana Jyothi Auditorium recently. Connecting Hindu philosophy and the works of French poet and playwright Victor Hugo, she "promoted Indo-French cultural links", said Christian JR , director of Alliance Française, who was the guest of honour. Aravind Jatti, the chief guest and president of Basava Samithi, elucidated the importance of the vachanas by Basaveshwara and other vachanakaras. In the presidential address, Prof Lingaraja Gandhi, vice-chancellor of Bengaluru City University, said Dr Venkatesh's work will promote research projects dealing with Indian traditional values and spirituality in the future.

Foundation calls for research project applications

The New India Foundation invites applications for the 11th edition of the New India Foundation Book Fellowship. Open to all Indian nationals, the fellowship is awarded for a year. Around 20-25 proposals will be shortlisted to meet with an eminent jury which includes social scientist and author Niraja Jayal, historian Srinath Raghavan, and entrepreneurs Nandan Nilekani and Manish Sabharwal. About 5-10 fellowships will be awarded a stipend of ₹18 lakh accompanied with editorial and administrative guidance. Applications will close on December 31, 2022.

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I, **BALBIR SINGH SONDH** S/o. Sri Sukhdev Singh Residing of No. 94, Jindal Staff Colony, Jindal Aluminium Limited, Jindal Nagar, Tumkur Road, Nagasandra Post, Bangalore - 560073. I am Changing My Name to **BALBIR SINGH** and I Shall hereafter be known as **BALBIR SINGH**.Vide Affidavit dated 08.08.2022 before Notary N.Mahesha, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **JABBAR SUHAIL AHMED S/o Ameer Jan, aged about 51 years, residing at No.1476, C-19, BDA Flat, Neelasandra, Viveknagar Post, Bangalore-560047, have changed my name to SUHAIL vide affidavit dt. 08-08-2022 before Notary Gangaraju.B.N, Bangalore.**

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Hanumanthappa** S/o Late Hanumanthaiah, Aliyas Baddi Hanumanthaiah, Aged about 71 years residing at No.502, Maruthi Nilaya, Ullalu Upanagara, Shani Mahathma Temple Road, Yeshwanthapur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, I have changed my Name to **Hanumanthappa** vide affidavit Dated: **08.08.2022,** Before **S.Nagaraja** Advocate and Notary, Reg. No. LAW.LCL166-2021, Bangalore. Henceforth, I shall be known as **Hanumanthappa** for all the purposes.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SENTHAMARAI,** wife of Muniswamy Senguttuvan, Ex-CHEAAR, No. 093597-Y, INDIAN NAVY, resident of No. 1796/A, 9th Cross, RPC Layout, Hampinagar, Bengaluru-560104, have changed my Name from **SENTHAMARAI** to **SENTHAMARAI SENGUTTUVAN** vide Affidavit dated 08-08-2022 at Bengaluru

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I, **JEEVARATHNAM RAJA REDDY** aged about 39 Years S/o Subba Raja Reddy, Resident of No. 286, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Koramangala, 8th Block, Bengaluru - 560095, Karnataka, India Shall henceforth be known as **JEEVARATHNAM REDDY,** Vide Affidavit Dated 09.08.2022 Before Notary K.V.MANI, Bangaluru.

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I, **G PRAKASH RAO** S/o **S Govind Rao** R/at No.89/B, 2nd Cross, Narayanlal Layout, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru - 560098, have changed my name to **G PRAKASH RAO JADHAV** vide affidavit dated: 8/8/2022 Before Notary **Puttaramaiah** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAMADAS MANNATH, S/O. ALANGHAT SHANKARAN NARAYANAN, RESIDING AT #43, AISHWARYAM, 2nd CROSS, LAKSHMI LAYOUT, MUNNEKOLALA, BENGALURU 560037, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO RAMDAS MANNATH VIDE AFFIDAVIT DATED: 08/08/2022 BEFORE NOTARY S.I.BALAGURU, BENGALURU**

NAME CONFIRMATION
I, Gajanan Sanjayrao Bongulwar S/o Sanjay Bongulwar, Aged about 30 years, Residing at: B-186, G Block, GM infinite, E-City Town Phase 2, Electronic City Phase 1, Electronic City Post, Bangalore- 560100, I state that in my Passport my name has mentioned as Gajanan Bongulwar. I further declare that both names **GAJANAN SANJAYRAO BONGULWAR and GAJANAN BONGULWAR** belongs to me. Vide affidavit dated 06.08.2022. Sworn before Advocate and notary B.M. Chandrashekar, Bangalore-560 034.

CHANGE OF NAME
I am a Holder of Indian Passport No. M9885223 bearing the name **William Samir S/o Badri Lalchand Dewan.** My Civil ID No. 268010200118. I would like to include my surname in my Passport and that henceforth my name will be read as Given : **William Samir Dewan**. Vide affidavit dated 28.7.2022 sworn to before Aravind Patil G.G., Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) KANTHILAL PATEL** Residing at No. 602, Krishna Nivas, 1st Main, 8th Cross, Havanur Extension, Nagasandra Post, Bangalore- 560073. Have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) KANTHILAL PATEL** to **(NEW NAME) KANTILAL PATEL** Vide Affidavit Dated 08.08.2022 Sworn Before Notary A. MANJULA, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **GYAN** R/at No.A-1103 Alpine Block, Greenage Apartment, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068, have changed my name to **GYAN SANCHETI** vide affidavit dated:9/8/2022 Before Notary **K.V.Mani** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Ranjith Kumar Chandrappa Gurulinga Murthy, S/o. Murthy Chandrappa Gurulinga, Residing at #10, Veerabhadreshwara Nilaya, 11th Cross, Munnekolala, Marathahalli Post, Bengaluru 560037, have changed my name to RANJITH KUMAR GURULINGA MURTHY Vide Affidavit Dated: 06/08/2022 before Notary S.I.Balaguru, Bengaluru**

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I, **GEETHA S.** W/o. late Keshavelu.S, aged about 35 years, residing at No.31, RHCS Layout, Annapurneshwari Nagar, Nagarabhavi, Bangalore - 560091.
I have changed my Daughters name from **"ANVITA K."** to **"ESHAANI EESHA .K"** vide affidavit dated **29-07-2022** sworn to before Notary **Veena Hadagali** Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **RAGHUNATH MAHENDRAKAR,** aged about 33 years, S/o Prakash Rao Mahendrakar, R/at 1-6-71 SBH Bank Street, Narayankhed Medak, Telangana-502286. I state that, my name entered as **'RAGHUNATH MAHENDRAKAR'** in passport and entered as **'M RAGHUNATH'** in my Marriage Certificate, Driving License, Birth Certificate, All Education Certificates, Pan Card and Aadhar Card. Hereby declare that, **'RAGHUNATH MAHENDRAKAR',** and **'M RAGHUNATH'** both names are the one and same & belongs to me only. Vide Affidavit dated 08.08.2022, Sworn before Advocate and Notary K.V. Mani, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) DHAVAL KANTHILAL CHHABHAIYA** Residing at No. 602, Krishna Nivas, 1st Main, 8th Cross, Havanur Extension, Nagasandra Post, Bangalore-560073. Have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) DHAVAL KANTHILAL CHHABHAIYA** to **(NEW NAME) DHAVAL PATEL** Vide Affidavit Dated 08.08.2022 Sworn Before Notary A. MANJULA, Bangalore.

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TO HEADLINE HER FIRST DEVOTIONAL FILM, *VISHWAROOPINI HULIGEMMA*

A SHARADHAA

Veteran director Sai Prakash's 105th film is based on the powerful goddess Huligemma

PRIYANKA Upendra is by now used to shuffling between different projects. She is busy shooting half a dozen films (*Ugravatara, Life is Beautiful, St Marks Road, Miss Nandini, Detective Teekshna,* and a Bengali film, *Master Anushman*), which are at different stages of production. She is equally thrilled to be collaborating with veteran director Sai Prakash in her first-ever devotional subject, *Vishwaroopini Huligemma*. The actor, who is currently in Hospete shooting for the project shared with us a few details about the film.

"This is Sai Prakash's 105th film and is based on the famous and powerful goddess Huligemma. We started filming today, and there is an overall sense of good vibes," says Priyanka, who shares the first look from the film. "This is the first time I will be playing 'Devi' on-screen, and it is going to be a different experience," says Priyanka.

Backed by Gowramma P under the Bhavana Production banner, the film also features Sumanth, Ramesh Bhat, and Raju Thalikote in important roles. The producer's daughters, Bhavana and Preethi, mark their debut with this film.

Vishwaroopini Huligemma's story, screenplay, dialogues, and lyrics are written by Sanjay Kumar. With cinematography by Anaji Nagaraj, the music is handled by V Manohar.

This project will mark the second collaboration between the actor and director after *Rowdy Aliya*. "He is a devotional person, and someone who has a penchant for such subjects. Being a spiritual person, when they approached me with the subject, I immediately said yes. This will be my first attempt at such a subject. Playing the Devi is a big deal, and it is such an honour to play Huligemmma. I'm making sure that everything goes right in the film because people here are very sensitive about the Goddess. Moreover, an actor should be careful when they are representing a God and Goddess. I'm here in Hampi, and it is so beautiful, and I'm just getting absorbed into the environment, as we begin the first schedule. There is a lot of work to be done on a blue mat, which will be done in Bengaluru," she says.

PRIYANKA SHIVANNA PLAYS NEGATIVE SHADE IN HER DEBUT *FANTASY*

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The film directed by Pavan Kumar is slated to release on September 2

BIGG Boss 7 contestant Priyanka Shivanna, who became a household name with her negative role as Chandrika in *Agnisakshi*, is all set to mark her silver screen debut with *Fantasy*.

Pavan Kumar, who has previously worked as an associate director in films like *Samhaara, Amma I Love You, Damayanti,* and *Aadya*, will make his debut with *Fantasy*. Interestingly, Priyanka gets to play a negative shade in her first film.

"I wanted to start my film career with a unique character, and chose to play a role with grey shades," says Priyanka. The psychological horror thriller penned by Pavan, who is also taken charge as a producer, is set in the backdrop of Madikeri and blurs the line between fantasy and reality. *Fantasy* also features Bala Rajwadi, child artist Anurag S Patil, and Gaurish Akki in prominent characters. Music composed by Ganesh Narayan, the film has cinematography by PKH Dass, and is expected to hit the theatres on September 2.

Priyanka Shivanna

Sam Mendes

Sam Mendes to direct *The Franchise*

CE FEATURES

REPORTS state that Sam Mendes is directing a comedy pilot about the making of superhero films titled *The Franchise*. The *Skyfall* director has reportedly come up with the original idea while the story is fleshed out by Jon Brown, Keith Akushie, and Armando Iannucci. The writers are also on-board as executive producers. Armando Iannucci is known for creating the political satire show Veep and for directing The Death of Stalin.

The Franchise follows a film crew as they grind through the giant machination that is superhero film franchises. They need to stay hopeful as they face questions about whether this would be the future of Hollywood or if superhero films are a bane for the film industry itself.

The series is being developed for HBO with Jon Brown as a showrunner. Sam Mendes will also be directing the pilot and co-producing the show under his banner Neal Street Productions.

TOM CRUISE EXPRESSES INTEREST IN PLAYING *LES GROSSMAN AGAIN*

CE FEATURES

Tom Cruise

FANS of Tropic Thunder remember Tom Cruise playing the most non-Cruise role in his career, that of *Less Grossman*, the ever-infuriated movie studio boss. *The Mission: Impossible* star has now expressed interest to bring Grossman back to the screen.

According to Deadline, Cruise and his collaborator Christopher McQuarrie are developing three new films: a song and dance-style musical, an original action film intended to kickstart a franchise, and the third, involving the foul-mouthed producer from Tropic Thunder.

Deadline reports that the duo is 'fixated' on *Les Grossman* and it remains to be seen through which medium the character will make a comeback. In Tropic Thunder, the 2007 comedy directed by Ben Stiller, *Grossman* is the overarching antagonist and his charcter has developed a fan following ever since. Cruise's interest in reviving the character is certainly a good news for the fans of the film.

In addition to the three aforementioned projects, Cruise is also planning to shoot a film in the space with the involvement of NASA and Elon Musk's SpaceX, with Edge of Tomorrow director Doug Liman set to helm.

Meanwhile, Cruise is currently filming for the McQuarrie directorial, *Mission: Impossible - Dead Reckoning,* conceived as a two-parter. After beholding multiple delays, the first part is scheduled to release on July 14, 2023.

Ezra Miller

Flash star Ezra Miller charged with burglary

CE FEATURES

VERMONT state police have reported that Ezra Miller has been charged with felony burglary. The police had received a burglary complaint from a residence in Vermont around 5 pm. Several bottles of alcohol were stolen from the house in the absence of the owners. After analysing surveillance videos, the police found that they had probable cause to charge Ezra Miller with felony burglary.

The actor has been connected to several controversies recently. He has housed a single mother and three children at his ranch in Stamford Vermont which was also allegedly used as a cannabis farm and also had firearms. According to an anonymous source, a one-year-old child was found handling a bullet. Miller was also recently arrested twice in Hawaii for sexual misconduct and disorderly conduct, he was also accused of second-degree assault.

Naga Chaitanya

'Laal Singh Chaddha marks my transition into Hindi cinema'

Naga Chaitanya talks about learning from Aamir Khan, the pan-India popularity of South films and the dismal performance of his last film, *Thank You*

KARTIK BHARDWAJ

NAGA Chaitanya wears a full-sleeved black t-shirt and sports the same moustache you have already seen in the trailer of his Hindi debut, *Laal Singh Chaddha*, in which he plays Balaraju Bodi, a South Indian man who befriends Aamir Khan's Laal during his days at the Army. Balaraju's indelible smile and protruding lower lip are quite in keeping with the look of Benjamin Buford Blue aka Bubba, Forrest's buddy during the Vietnam War in the Tom Hanks-starrer Forrest Gump, of which *Laal Singh Chaddha* is a remake. It's a bit peculiar though, that a Telugu star like Chaitanya would go for a 'best friend' role as his foray into Bollywood.

"I wasn't comfortable directly picking a film in which I would play the lead," says Chaitanya. "It is a challenge for a new actor to be accepted in a different industry. I needed a transition point. I needed some padding, a base to support me. Laal Singh is the perfect opportunity for me." Chaitanya goes on to speak about his role. "They cast me as a South Indian boy. I am speaking Hindi in the film, but you will find a Telugu influence in my character. That I could bring something of my own gave me a lot of confidence. When it is your first film in a completely new playground, it is important to be held by the right hands. Being mentored by Aamir sir and Advait (director Advait Chandan) helped a lot," he says.

The war sequences of Laal Singh were shot extensively in Kargil and Srinagar. Although the shoot was hectic, for Chaitanya, it was a dream come true to learn from Aamir. "I always wanted to work with Aamir sir and understand his process," says Chaitanya. "His style of working is novel. He gives a lot of importance to pre-production, and loves screening the film ahead of release. He likes to get as many opinions as possible. All of this was new to me."

For Hindi cinema, both critical and commercial acclaim have been hard to come by recently. In the case of Laal Singh Chaddha, there have been calls for a ban on the film, in light of comments made by Aamir a few years back. When it comes to profits, only three Hindi films—*Bhool Bhulaiyaa 2*, *Jug Jugg Jeeyo* and *Kashmir Files*—seem to have fared well. South counterparts like *RRR, K.G.F, Pushpa: The Rise* and *Vikram*, on the other hand, have arrived with guns blazing, both in terms of commerce and content. Chaitanya doesn't believe there's even a North-South divide. "Content is king," he says. "We in the South have always been making good films. It's just that OTT has exposed our content to a larger audience. North or South, whoever puts out the best content will win. What I am really happy about is all the opportunities and exposure that is coming our way."

A still from *Laal Singh Chaddha*

Chaitanya's latest Telugu release *Thank You* did not do well in its opening weekend. "Success and failure teach you equally," he says. "But audiences won't give us many chances. Everybody is on top of their game; so, I need to expand too."

Perhaps that's why Chaitanya decided to make his OTT debut with a horror series, *Dhootha*. The actor is reuniting with *Thank You*-director Vikram K Kumar for this show, and immediately, he talks about how he's not comfortable with the horror genre. "I don't watch horror films. I get scared and can't sleep at night. When Vikram brought this script to me, I was apprehensive. But then, I decided to bring out my fear on screen."

In the series, he plays a journalist called Sagar. "It's a grey role and I have always wanted to see how the audience would perceive me in such a character. OTT has given me the opportunity to explore that alter-ego." He mentions Ram Gopal Varma's *Bhoot* for inciting this fear of the horror genre. Saying so, he smiles sheepishly, and it's impossible not to note that his teeth are as white as Bubba's.